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INCREASING CLOUDINESS FOLLOWED BY RAIN.

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THREE SCORE PASSENGERS KILLED; DUQUESNE LIMITED IS WRECKED BY TIMBERS ON TRACK AT DAWSON

SCORES OF HAPPY CHRISTMASTIDE TRAVELERS SCALDED AND GROUND TO DEATH IN A MOMENT IN AWFUL WRECK OF FAST DUQUESNE LIMITED

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New York stock market closed strong and higher. Westinghouse Electric advanced on the local board. Grains and provisions closed higher.—Pages 12 and 13.

OCEAN INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived Dec. 23.

New York.—Georgic, from Liverpool; Kronprinz Wilhelm, from Bremen; Bluecher, from Hamburg.

Liverpool.—Pretoland, from Philadelphia; Ionian, from St. John; Oceanic, from New York.

Queenstown.—Vaderland, from New York.

Glasgow.—Siberian, from New York.

Genoa.—Palatia, from New York.

Sailed Dec. 23.

New York.—Amsterdam, for Rotterdam; Teutonic, for Liverpool; Helligolan, for Christiania.

Liverpool.—Haverford, for Philadelphia; Majestic, for New York.

Lizard.—La Savoie, from New York, for Havre.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

NIXON—Ethel Barrymore in "Cousin Kate," 8:15 p. m.

ALVIN—The Four Cohans in "Running for Office," 8:15 p. m.

NEW GRAND—The Xmas Pantomime, "Babes in the Woods," 2 and 8 p. m.

AVENUE—Fifteen big vaudeville acts; continuous performance, 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.

EMPIRE—York, Michelena in "The Princess Chic," 8:15 p. m.

DUQUESNE—Johnstons, Bennett & Co. and four vaudeville acts, 2 and 8 p. m.

BIJOU—"The Factory Girl," 8 p. m.

ACADEMY—"High Rollers" Extravaganza Company, 2 and 8 p. m.

DUQUESNE GARDEN—Skating afternoon and evening. Hockey (night).

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE ART GALLERIES—Twenty-second exhibition of paintings, 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

DOMINICAN WARSHIP BOMBARDS A TOWN

CAPE HAITIEN, Dec. 23.—A Dominican warship is bombarding Puerto Plata. The citizens were thrown into intense excitement over the bombardment, but no lives have been received so far as to damage done the city.

Baltimore & Ohio Train Was Running 60 Miles an Hour When It Plowed Into a Pile of Lumber.

CARS PLUNGED OVER EMBANKMENT AND REDUCED TO A MASS OF DEBRIS

Many Buried Beneath the Wreckage—Injured Driven Insane by Pain, Fled Screaming to the Woods on the Hillside—Escaping Steam Boiled the Struggling Victims Unable to Release Themselves from Beneath the Heavy Timber and Steel Structures of the Cars.

FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.
[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

Connellsville, Pa., Dec. 23.—The most appalling railroad accident that ever occurred on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad left its harvest of death and ruin at Laurel Run, a mile west of Dawson, this evening, when 63 persons were killed and many more injured, including some so burned and scalded that there is no hope for their recovery.

The fatal train was the pride of the Baltimore & Ohio—the Duquesne Flyer scheduled as No. 12, running east. It was hauled by Engine No. 1465. The Engineer was William Thornley of Hazelwood.

As the train, which carried one baggage car, one smoker, one day coach, two Pullmans and a Pullman diner, reached Laurel Run, it was making terrific speed, by many judged at not less than 60 miles an hour.

Cause of the Disaster.

A few minutes before a freight train passed along having several cars loaded with heavy timber. The stays on one of the cars had broken and allowed some of the timbers to drop upon the track. Engineer Thornley did not see the obstruction. The emergency brakes were not thrown on. There was simply a crash, sharp, terrific, blinding to everybody upon the train, a rending of timbers, a deafening roar of steam, and then the silence of death.

The engine plunged straight along the track, then into the side of the hill, and stopped as lightning stops. The tender with the terrible momentum of the weight and speed behind it, leaped high into the air, and was driven like a thunderbolt a hundred feet ahead of the boiler of the engine. The baggage car turned crosswise and went over the bank to the right.

Carload Scalded to Death.

The smoker, coming on in the frightful rush, mounted the boiler of the engine, knocking off the top of the steam dome. From this spout of hell a roar of seething steam rushed up into the smoker, and it is scarcely possible that a single person in that car has escaped death. The day coach was damaged considerably, too, and many persons within were injured. The two Pullman coaches escaped injury, nobody aboard being hurt. They remained intact but left the track, their trucks being knocked out from under them.

The diner stopped so suddenly that the few people in it, with all the tables and chairs, were hurled to the front end in one heap of debris. In the diner nobody was injured save a few bruises.

As soon as the crash was over the few people on the train able to do anything hastened forward. The train lay a twisted, broken thing, seething and steaming like a monster that refused to give up its dead.

Averted a Second Disaster.

In the diner were A. D. Session, William Marietta and others. They rushed across the Youghiogheny river from the scene of the wreck. The operator in the Virgin run office of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad had witnessed the wreck. Without a moment's hesitation he wired to Dickerson run, and a telephone was used thence to Dawson, giving the first intelligence of the awful disaster.

Meantime, however, there was another here to think suddenly and most opportunely. This man was Baggagemaster Thomas J. Dom. He was injured, but struggled out of his car. He looked at his watch and knew that fast train No. 49, going west, was just due, bearing many precious lives. The tracks were blockaded completely and there were no red lights burning anywhere nor a signal of any sort to be grasped.

Matches Saved No. 49.

Dom took matches from his pocket as on thundered No. 49. Lighting match after match, Dom whirled them around and around, the wind scarcely extinguishing one until he had struck another. Engineer Moses Johnston saw the odd signal. He threw the brakes and the train was brought to a standstill not three feet from the beginning of the wreckage which had torn up the track for 500 feet.

As soon as word was received at Dawson, Dr. J. J. Hall and Harry McDonald jumping into a buggy, drove at full speed to the scene of the wreck. Smith Buttermore of Dawson made a long run to the place and arrived only a few yards behind the horse. The doctor and others, among them Miss Wright, a trained nurse of the Allegheny General hospital, who was in Dawson, rendered good service at once.

Terrible Scene in the Smoker.

The scenes about the wreck are not for the pen. The most terrible were enacted in the smoker. The steam filled it completely from end to end. Darkness had settled over all, but to add to the horror, through the fumes of sulphurous steam and vapor, the red flames of fire began to kindle up. The windows in the car were shattered, but the rush of steam was so sudden that the helpless inmates had not time to get out before they were cooked. Many, scrambling out the windows, rushed into the woods above the clay bank, and with loud screams got into the bushes before they could be captured. One man, walking out calmly, returned to the pile of baggage of the train sent for relief, and sitting down upon a chest, said, "My God!" and dropped over dead. He did not have a scar upon him, but had inhaled the hot steam.

Engineer Crushed to Pulp.

Engineer Thornley was crushed to a pulp beneath a portion of his engine. The fireman couldn't be found.

As fast as possible the wounded were taken out and laid upon the bank. The dead were carried out as soon as they could be reached. Forty bodies were soon lying in a row along the top of the bank, and cloaks or whatever was available were thrown about the wounded to keep them warm.

Every feature of horror was pictured about the demolished cars. Here and there moved the lights of rescuers, and here and there tongues of flames were extinguished as fast as they appeared.

General Manager C. S. Sims of the system happened to be in Connellsville. He heard of the accident at once. With incredible alacrity a relief train was made up. Aboard of it were General Manager Sims, J. F. Irwin, superintendent of the Connellsville district, and Drs. T. H. White, L. P. McCormick, M. B. Shupe, H. S. Atkinson, R. S. McKee, W. J. Bailey, Thomas B. Echard of Connellsville and Dr. Cogan of Dawson. In addition to these were others ready and willing to give all the assistance in their power.

General Manager Wept.

When General Manager Sims arrived at the scene of the disaster he was so overcome by the affecting sights that he broke down and wept, as many another strong man did. Women who went to the horror could not bear to look upon the awful sights at all and turned away.

Aboard the relief train were great quantities of surgical instruments, supplies, bandages and stretchers. The wounded were first put on board the train, and a section was rushed to Connellsville. Ahead of this train telephone communications had been arranged for all the available cabs and carriages in the town. These had gathered at the station. The excitement in the town was growing to a frenzy. Many Connellsville people were thought to be aboard the train. In the town awaiting the arrival of the wounded were Drs. J. H. Coll, J. C. McClenathan, J. D. Jackson, F. P. Kerr and others.

The patients were hurried to the hospital, where they were given every care, citizens of Connellsville mounting every cab to accompany the wounded. Men and women offered their assistance. The whole town gave itself up to the relief of the sufferers.

There is little hope for many of those at the hospital, since they inhaled the steam. Three died on the train coming from Laurel Run and four died at the hospital, and deaths are occurring every 10 minutes through the night.

The train bearing the wounded arrived at 11 o'clock in Connellsville. Thousands of people were at the station, for many persons from Connellsville had been shopping in Pittsburgh today and were expected home. E. T. Norton, cashier of the First National bank here, and a very prominent young man of this town, was reported to be on the train, but this rumor proved untrue.

Death of an Evangelist.

The Rev. Father C. Finello was not known to have been on the train till late. His death casts a shadow of sadness over the whole town. He was an energetic Italian priest and came here from Italy recently as an evangelist among the Italians of this district. He started a year ago to gather funds for the building of a little church. Several months ago the foundation stone was laid in Connellsville. The Italians themselves gave their labor as donations toward completing this part of the work.

Many people aided him, even Protestants, because of his uphill work and earnest zeal. His little church, St. Mary of the Mount he called it, was dedicated only last Sunday, and now that the patient priest is removed it probably stands as the monument of a noble self-sacrifice.

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Hardly had the bodies of the dead been removed from the coaches until thieves began robbing the dead of jewelry and money. Special officers were deputized, and with the aid of the Baltimore & Ohio police force and Connellsville officers the work of the ghouls was stopped. Several persons are under suspicion and arrests will follow tomorrow.

5 A. M.—The dead bodies are now all in the morgue, piled up in a gruesome mass. They are in an indescribable tangle, and it is impossible at this time to pursue the work of identification with any success. Most of the bodies are burned until they are unrecognizable. It is presumed that many of the dead belong in Connellsville, but so disfigured are the faces that they would be passed by as unknown by even their nearest relatives. The clothing of many has been searched for some identifying clue, but this means has not proved fruitful. The work of preparing the dead bodies for identification and subsequent burial will commence at once.

Coroner C. A. Wynn and his deputies have been at work all night. It is probable that at least half the dead will never be identified. Owing to their station in life many carried no means of identification whatever unless it should be their clothing.

J. A. COLL.

Names of the Victims So Far Identified.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA., Dec. 23. —(Special.)—The work of identifying the dead was very difficult, owing to the fearful injuries many of them had received, a great number of the bodies being badly mangled and scalded. Of the 64 bodies taken out only these had been recognized at midnight:

THE IDENTIFIED DEAD:

ENGINEER WILLIAM THORNLEY, 4907 Lytle street, Pittsburgh.
FIREMAN THOMAS COOK, Hazelwood.
DIVISION ENGINEER S. G. KEATES, Hazelwood.
HERBERT HOLMES, Emlenton, Pa.
JESSE S. HINES, Tarborough, N. C.
CHARLES LANDFORD, Confluence, Pa.
—— EDWARDS, Pittsburgh.
RICHARD DUCESTE, Baltimore, Md.
J. W. MARTIN, Hancock, Md.
EDISON GOLDSMITH, Connellsville, Pa.
UNION NEWS COMPANY AGENT.
THE REV. C. FANNELLO, Connellsville, Pa.
CURT PATTERSON, Milwaukee, Wis.

THE INJURED.

W. H. DUNCOCK, Pittsburgh; slightly.
JOHN W. BROMLEY, North Braddock, Pa.; slightly.
ANNIE REESE, Glenwood, Pittsburgh; slightly.
THOMAS J. DOM, Hazelwood; slightly.
LOU HELGOTH, the limited's conductor, Hazelwood; slightly.
J. A. ALPUNTER, Fenton, W. Va.; seriously.
HARRY DAVIN, Rockwood, Pa.; will die.
C. H. LINEFORD, East McKeesport, wife and child at Confluence; will die.
WILLIAM EDWARDS, Cumberland, Md.
THOMAS TIPPLER, 2533 North Garrett street, Philadelphia.
HARRY DEVLIN, Connellsville; seriously.
W. H. STODDARD, Connellsville, Pa.
B. P. KEIFER, Somerset, Pa.
JOHN E. POWERS, 398 North street, South Cumberland.
J. W. ALTMAN, Connellsville, Pa.
AARON VERG, East Pittsburgh.

Meeting All Comers.

DOOMED TRAIN UNUSUALLY HEAVY TO ACCOMODATE HOLIDAY TRAVEL FROM PITTSBURGH TO THE EAST

Two Cars Added to the Equipment, and Many Commercial Travelers Going to Their Homes Were Aboard.

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT LOREE AT ONCE ASSUMES CHARGE OF AFFAIRS

Physicians Gathered Up All Along the Road and Hurried to the Scene of the Disaster—Wrecking Trains and Coaches With Medical Aid Promptly Ordered Out—First Estimates of Officials Were Steadily Increased.

The wrecked train was made up of first-class equipment. It generally contains four cars, but last night on account of the holiday travel consisted of a combination baggage and smoker, two coaches, two sleepers and a dining car. The train is scheduled to leave the Baltimore & Ohio Water street station at 6:30 p. m. It makes only two stops between Pittsburgh and Connellsville—Braddock and McKeesport. The last train to stop at Dawson is No. 8, which leaves Pittsburgh at 4 o'clock and arrives there at 6:01.

A large number of the passengers were commercial travelers who were on their way to their homes to spend the holidays. This fact accounts for so many being in the smoking car when the disaster occurred.

One of the first to be taken out of the wreck was Engineer William Thornley of 4907 Lytle street. His body was smashed to a pulp. His fireman, J. J. Cook, was terribly mangled and death was instantaneous. Conductor L. Halgoth, Baggagemaster T. Dorn and Brakeman Harry McClintock were the remainder of the train crew, and it is likely they are numbered among the dead.

How the News Reached Pittsburgh.

The last train that came from Dawson left there at 7:15. This kept the news from spreading in the city more than it did. All the details that reached Pittsburgh came by wire, and with the excitement attending such disasters all wires were kept busy from the time of the accident until the full extent of the disaster was heralded all over the world.

William C. Loree, general superintendent of the Pittsburgh system, at once took charge of affairs. He has jurisdiction of the trackage as far as Cumberland. There are two divisions between here and Cumberland, where the Duquesne Limited meets the train which runs from St. Louis to New York by the Wheeling and Grafton route. At Cumberland the two trains are pulled.

Mr. Loree sent orders to different places along the line ordering all physicians and medical appliances to the scene of the wreck. In less than half an hour after the accident he had ordered special trains made up at different places to take assistance to the dead and injured.

First Official Statement.

Mr. Loree gave out an official statement at 11 o'clock last night. It is evident by the report that he had not as yet received the full extent of the accident. The report follows:

"No. 12 was derailed by running into some switch timbers, or timbers of about that size, derailing the engine and all the cars. All the cars are badly damaged. I do not think any of the equipment will be able to go away from the scene of the accident on their own wheels, except possibly the Pullman cars and the diner. The engine lies across both tracks, the baggage car is over the bank, the first coach partly over the bank and the balance of the train is badly twisted. I judge about 25 people are killed; at least not more than 40. All the people killed were in the smoker. Escaping steam from the engine went into the first coach, scalding the people. Very few of the other passengers are injured. The conductor is injured, but I do not know how badly. He was able to talk when Mr. Hale saw him. The injured have been taken from the wreck and are lying on the bank. The engineer and fireman cannot be found."

Number of Dead Increased.

As the night wore on the officials gradually increased the number of the dead.

Supt. Loree did all in his power to get medical aid to the injured. Wherever a physician could be reached by telegraph a message was sent him to prepare a medical chest and be ready to board a special train. The special soon picked him up and hurried to the next place to take aboard more.

One special left West Newton, which is 25 miles west of Dawson. There are about two dozen doctors in the town, and more than half of them were hurried to the scene of the accident on a shifting engine. The company has large yards west of the place where coal trains are made up for eastbounds. One of these shifters from the roundhouse was used to take the doctors. Another was attached to an empty box car lying on the siding. In this were placed blankets, rugs, linen for bandages, instruments and medicine.

Wrecking Crew Called Out.

West Newton is headquarters for a small wrecking crew. This was hurriedly called out and sent to the accident.

No. 62, the new inspecting engine, was hauled with officials to the scene of the accident. The engine was built for track inspection. It contains a cab built over the boiler. The engineer is located in front, instead of in the rear, as with the regular built engines. The seats are built so that those in the cab can see the track in front of them.

One of the first things that General Superintendent Loree ordered out was a gang of firemen. He realized that Dawson, being only a coal-mining town, had poor facilities for transportation. Equipment consisting of instruments for tapping the throat wires, and operating instruments, chairs, small benches and similar articles were gathered up at Glenwood and sent out on the special. It was this fact which resulted in word of the disaster being sent to Pittsburgh as rapidly as it was.

The news of the accident soon spread about Pittsburgh. The theater crowds read The Gazette bulletins with concern and alarm. It was not long before practically everybody in the downtown district was apprised of the accident. Many of the guests at the hotels had friends on the train, and they hurried to the Water street station in quest of details.

There was quite an exodus from the leading hotels yesterday. Many traveling men desired to spend Christmas at home and left the city. Many of the passengers on the wrecked train were of this character.

On account of there being so many victims, the rescuers had no time to identify them. They were occupied in removing them from the wreckage and relieving their sufferings.

BELLBOY AT NEWELL'S MAY BE AMONG VICTIMS

Among those who left on the train was Earl C. West, colored, 21 years old. West is a bellboy at Newell's hotel. He lives at 9 Horton street. His sister was inquiring for him by telephone at The Gazette office all through the night, but no definite word that he had escaped was received. West was on his way to Philadelphia.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE B. & O.

J. H. Maddy Places the Number of Killed at 50 and the Injured at 25.

J. H. Maddy, representing the general management of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, gave out the following statement to the Associated Press at Baltimore, Md., after the wreck near Connellsville late last night:

"We have had a most frightful catastrophe. No. 12, Duquesne Limited, was wrecked six miles west of Connellsville on a two-degree curve, caused by about 50 pieces of 20 feet by 8-inch oak timber falling from a west-bound freight train which left Connellsville about 6:30 p. m. The timber fell over east-bound main track and No. 12 must have struck it running 50 miles an hour.

"After striking the timbers the engine ran possibly 400 feet more or less. The two locomotives in the train were badly telescoped and about 50 people were killed and about 25 injured. Very few escaped all uninjured.

"One of the Pullman cars was partly turned over and a few of the occupants hurt, though I do not think seriously. The rear Pullman and dining car were not turned over and seem to be in fair shape. The occupants were not hurt.

"The accident occurred about 5 p. m. The freight crew apparently did not realize that the timbers had fallen off, as it went on west. Engineer, fireman, conductor and baggagemaster were killed.

QUAY AND PENNYPACKER LUNCHED WITH PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Gov. Pennypacker and Senator Quay were guests of President Roosevelt at luncheon at the White House this afternoon. The governor spent the morning at Senator Quay's residence. He refused to see newspaper men who sent him cards. From the White House he returned to the Quay residence and later was driven to the Pennsylvania station and took a train for Harrisburg.

MANAGER P. E. DONNER RESIGNES HIS POSITION

MONESSEN, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Percy E. Donner, since 1896 general manager of the National plant of the American Tinplate Company has resigned. Mr. Donner would make no statement as to the cause. He came to Monessen in 1897 as an employe, and is probably the youngest man holding such an important position being 24 years old. His resignation is to take effect on or before February 1.

DREAM OF WAR HAS VANISHED

Admiral Walker Says No Troops Are Needed at Isthmus.

ADVISES ROOSEVELT

Affairs in Panama Do Not Indicate Possible Conflict With Colombia.

MORE MARINES UNNECESSARY

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 16, Postal Building.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.

"Don't send the army to Panama," is in effect what Rear Admiral Walker, who has just returned from Colon, told President Roosevelt today.

Rear Admiral Walker's statement of conditions on the isthmus have been remarkably reassuring to the administration. He told the president that not only were conditions on the isthmus quiet but they promised to remain so, and there was no indication that any embarrassing emergency would arise.

He and President Roosevelt talked over preparations now being made to send 600 more marines to Caribbean waters from Philadelphia on the Dixie. Rear Admiral Walker said he did not believe that they were needed. The force now ashore between Colon and Panama was sufficient to deal with any situation which he could foresee.

Rear Admiral Walker told the president that he believed the present problem would be most easily solved if the canal treaty was promptly ratified by the United States senate. This done, he believed, the Colombians would be robbed of their hope that the treaty will be defeated in Washington, would see that the canal was lost to them beyond hope and that the best thing they could do would be to abandon their belligerent tone.

The navy department today received this dispatch from Rear Admiral Coghlan:

"Mayflower reports met with Pinzon carrying 200 men and munitions bound for base at Tiumati."

Tiumati is believed to be about 50 miles from Cape Tiburon and is well within Colombian territory. The fact that the Mayflower did not stop this expedition plainly shows that the administration has decided to confine its policy to a mere defense of the canal strip and the railway. No steps are being taken to dislodge the 100 Colombians who landed on the island of Pines, which is Panama territory.

"War or Panama means war with the United States," is the substance of cablegrams which Gen. Rafael Reyes, the Colombian minister, is sending to the Bogota government and to his more influential followers throughout Colombia. Realizing the gravity of the situation, Gen. Reyes is endeavoring to bring the Colombian people face to face with the situation as he knows it here. He is convinced that the United States will not permit a Colombian army to land within the territory of Panama.

COLON, Dec. 23.—The United States Cruiser Olympia arrived here today. Other United States warships now in the harbor are the Mayflower, the Prairie, the Atlanta, the Bancroft and the Nashville.

SENATOR HALE SAYS TREATY WILL PASS

Believes Agreement With Panama is the Only Way to Insure Canal.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Senator Hale of Maine in an interview today said he thought the Panama canal treaty would be ratified. He added:

"I do not like the situation, and am afraid it will involve us in an expensive and profitless war; but I have seen no way from the beginning except to ratify the treaty and make the best of it.

"Our government moved rather rapidly and with some precision when the insurrection broke out, but Columbia was holding us, and meant to rob us, and as we were committed to the building of the canal by the United States, we were compelled to come to terms with that government, however quickly formed and however unsubstantial it might be."

THE WEATHER

Doubt is expressed by the weather man as to whether Christmas day will be white or green. In his forecast for Pittsburgh and vicinity he predicts rain today and rain or snow for tomorrow. The maximum temperature was 43 and the minimum 28 yesterday. The sun rose cloudy at 7:23 and set cloudy at 4:47 yesterday. The daily report, furnished by the local weather office, follows:

Rain.

Time.	Bars.	Tem.	Hum	Wind.	Weather.
8 p. m....	30.35	25	70	S. W.	Cloudy
8 p. m....	30.27	39	52	W.	Clear

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 23:

	1902	1901		1902	1901
Maximum	33	40	Mean	30	28
Minimum	28	26	Precipitation ..	.60	.10
Max. tem. 2:50 pm.	43		Excess since Jan. 1.		90
Min. tem. 7 am.	24		Nor. precip. 31 yrs.		.10
Mean temperature .	34		Precip. for day		.0
Nor. tem. 31 yrs. ..	37		Defcy. for day		.10
Excess for day	3		Defcy. since Dec. 1.		1.19
Defcy. since Dec. 1.	55		Exc. since Jan. 1..		2.21

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Increasing cloudiness Thursday, followed by rain; Friday, rain or snow, followed by clearing and colder; fresh to brisk south winds, becoming northerly Friday.

Ohio—Rain or snow Thursday; Friday, probably clearing and colder; fresh to brisk south winds, becoming northerly Friday.

West Virginia—Increasing cloudiness Thursday, followed by rain; Friday, rain or snow, followed by clearing and colder.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 o'clock last night:

Cincinnati ..	42	Cloudy	Indianapolis .	42	Cloudy
St. Louis	44	Rain	Kansas City..	40	Rain
Cairo	52	Rain	Washington ..	38	Clear
Chicago	38	Cloudy	Philadelphia .	36	Clear
Omaha	40	Cloudy	New Orleans .	66	PtCdy
El Paso.....	56	Clear	Marquette ...	30	Snow
Memphis	64	Rain	St. Paul.....	22	Clear
Oklahoma ...	62	Cloudy	Helena	34	Cloudy
New York....	36	Clear	Huron	16	Clear
Cleveland	38	Clear	Bismarck	10	Clear
Buffalo	36	Clear	Duluth	32	Cloudy

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Our Treaty With China Endangered by Eastern Trouble.

CHINA IS IN DESPAIR

Her Government Fears War May Mean Dismemberment for the Empire.

RUSSIAN REPLY IS EXPECTED

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

Washington, Dec. 23.—The state department is becoming involved in the war talk in the far east and alarm is now felt by the department that the United States may be affected seriously by the impending crisis between Russia and Japan. The state department has been caught in the middle of its negotiations with China for the two treaty ports in Manchuria.

The treaty has been ratified by the senate, but there is a hitch in China, although it was signed in China by the Chinese plenipotentiaries, but further signatures are necessary in the east.

If President Roosevelt should apply the new policy announced to Colombia, he must tell China that since her ministers have signed the treaty, the emperor and the foreign office must keep faith.

If the United States should assume that attitude, there is no doubt that the same power that is making China halt in the ratification of this treaty will continue to stand by China and the United States must use its army and navy to coerce China and her friends or let its Colombian policy go to the wall.

The danger to the state department is simply this. When the United States recognized the republic of Panama, Russia was one of the first to follow suit. That was evidently done shrewdly by the Russian foreign office in order to commit the United States to a policy.

United States May Protest.

Russia can now hold that if the United States has a right to follow its alleged right the Panama canal into Colombian territory, Russia, by the same rule, will have the right to follow its claim as to the railroad in Manchuria over the head of China.

It is reported today that the state department is about to lodge a "strong protest" with China about these two treaty ports and make China come to time as was done in the case of Colombia.

PEKING, Dec. 23.—It is positively known that the Japanese government has drawn the line for a settlement beyond which it will not make any material concessions and that she is determined to fight before yielding what she considers to be her vital interests.

It is also believed that Japan will refuse any arrangement holding in abeyance the question of the evacuation of Manchuria, which was one of the terms of the proposed arrangement recently announced from St. Petersburg and which it is now supposed was intended by the Russian government as a "feeler." This would be a violation of pledges given to Japan and China. The most dangerous factors in the situation are the confidence of the Russian officials in the far east that a war would mean an easy victory for Russia and the challenging tone of the Russian officials and newspapers. Intelligent Chinese officials await development with the deepest anxiety. They foresee the many perils menacing China in the event of war and the possibilities that a partition of the empire may result from China's inability to maintain the neutrality of her harbors and subjects.

China's Ineptitude Shown.

The younger officials and the newspapers discuss possibilities of an alliance between China and Japan, but the only available Chinese troops are 15,000 Japanese trained men of Yuan-Shi-Kai, who was recently appointed commander of the imperial army and navy, who might fight under foreign leaders but whose present officers are incompetent and of doubtful courage.

Minister Satow was connected with the British diplomatic service in Japan and is one of the greatest living authorities on Japanese history and literature, and is in constant communication with the foremost statesmen of Japan. He is quoted as saying that any one who imagines that Japan will not fight for what she considers to be her greatest interests, does not know the Japanese people.

Sir Robert Hart, director of Chinese imperial maritime customs, said today that he feared China would be the chief sufferer should war occur, for she might be ground between the two millstones. The decadence of the Chinese government has never been more completely displayed than in these times when her ministers go from legation to legation imploring other governments to help China, without any thought of China's helping herself. There is absolutely no strong man among the ruling ministers, no Prince Chung, Marquis Tseng nor Li Hung Chang.

Wu Ting Fang Despairs.

Wu Ting Fang, the well-known ex-minister to the United States, tells his official friends that he despairs of China's future.

"I see no hope," he says, "for China. The partition of the empire, sooner or later, is inevitable."

He is disgusted with official life in Peking, and proposes to resign his present position at the first opportunity. His experience is that of the majority of the enlightened Chinese officials. He did good work in negotiating the commercial treaties recently signed, and was summoned to Peking and given the vice presidency of the board of commerce.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister here, said:

"Nothing has actually been arrived at between Great Britain and Japan regarding the course of action Great Britain will pursue in the event of a Russo-Japanese war, beyond the stipulations of the Anglo-Japanese treaty.

"I am getting very pessimistic regarding the eventual outcome, but I do not expect the question of peace or war to be settled until after the New Year. If the dispute can only be settled by war the present delay of course, is greatly to Russia's advantage."

A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram Company from Tokio says:

"Incessant activity prevails at military headquarters. The transport and other arrangements are complete. The government is calmly awaiting the Russian reply which, it is hoped, will be forthcoming without delay. Dispatches from Korea reported continued disturbances at Mokpho and the outbreak of a Tong-Hak insurrection in Chol-la-To province. The Tong-Haks are a party of malcontents whose activity was the immediate cause of the war between China and Japan. These reports create uneasiness."

The Japanese legation here has no further news. Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, and his staff will remain in London over the Christmas holidays.

In financial quarters, both in London and Paris, confidence is still unshaken that peace will be preserved. This confidence is reflected in the firmness of Russian bonds, which, though only held to a small extent in England, are held in France at an amount between $1,000,000,000 and $1,500,000,000, and it is contended that this fact alone will induce Foreign Minister Delcasse to make the strongest efforts to prevent Russia going to war. The amount of Japanese bonds held in Great Britain is said not to exceed $35,000,000.

The Daily Mail's correspondent today admit that the steamers of the Nippon Yusen Haisha have not yet been chartered, and that no mobilization orders have been issued; but they give a rumor of the intention of Russia to seize Chin-Wang-Tao, and report that a Japanese squadron of six battleships has left Sasebo, 25 miles north of Nagasaki.

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent at Nagasaki says that the Japanese fleet is replacing the local soft coal in its bunkers with hard Welsh steam coal, and also that all superfluous woodwork on the vessels is being removed.

Koreans Invade China.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 23.—The Tartar general at Kirin reports that an indecisive battle has occured between four battalions of Chinese from Hung-Chun and 1,500 Koreans who invaded Chinese territory from Keyng-Chung in northeastern Korea.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—The German foreign office, in estimating the probabilities of war in the far east, fixes its attention on Great Britain rather than on Japan for it is recognized that Japan is only waiting for Great Britain to give the word before beginning hostilities. The Associated Press learns from the highest diplomatic source that the German government, while still refusing to believe that war is certain, is convinced now, that if war between Russia and Japan comes, Great Britain will take a part in it because the British government looks upon the war as possibly the only means of saving and re-establishing her position in the east.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 23.—Russia's reply to Japan is momentarily expected to be delivered. Foreign office officials and diplomats continue to express the opinion that as both parties earnestly desire a peaceful settlement and as their allies have left nothing undone to this end, war will be averted.

This Girl Won First Prize In Carnegie Essay Contest

Miss Mabel McCoy Henderson.

Miss Henderson was the winner of the star prize, $25, for writing the best essay of all the 338 girls and boys who prepared papers for the Carnegie museum contest. The total amount of cash distributed was $430, all in crisp, new bills.

GERMAN STEAMER ASHORE IN A FOG

LONDON, Dec. 23.—A dispatch to Lloyds from Flushing, Holland, says the German steamer Preussen is ashore near Zoutelland. The weather is thick and foggy.

According to the Maritime Register the German steamer Preussen, Captain Frahn, sailed from Yokohama October 31, and Port Said December 8, for Bremen.

LABOR LEADERS MUST FACE A SERIOUS CHARGE

Former Chicago Strikers Indicted on a Conspiracy Charge.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The grand jury tonight voted indictments against four men prominent in labor circles. They are J. R. Johnson, business agent of the Brass Workers' union; Fisher, secretary of the International Order of Machinists; R. U. Crane, business agent of the International Order of Machinists, and James J. Lamb, business agent of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

The indictments voted charge conspiracy to wreck the business of the Kellogg Switch Board and Supply Company during a strike which was productive of much violence during the early spring. Testimony was presented to the grand jury to the effect that the four persons men had visited officials of the Kellogg company and threatened to interfere with the business of the concern unless the company came to terms with its striking employes.

While indictments were voted against these men the grand jury refused to return true bills against Charles F. Lang, foreman of a local printing house, who shot and killed Emil Reichow, a picket while the striking press feeders of the Franklin union. Lang was himself a union man and was assaulted by a mob of which Reichow was one. He fired one shot which struck Reichow and caused his death. Lang established a case of self-defense.

IS SACRED TO HISTORY.

Boston's Mayor Declines to Permit a Poultry Show Use Faneuil Hall.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—Permission to use historic Faneuil hall for an exhibition of poultry was denied by Mayor Collins today in a message to the board of aldermen which had granted the privilege to the New England Light Prahma club.

"To regard the use of Faneuil hall as illegitimate and substantially a prostitution," wrote the mayor, "The hall is a resort of all patriotic visitors who come to Boston, and its use for a poultry exhibition or any kindred show ridicules and contemns its sacred memories."

DARING ROBBERS CARRIED AWAY SALOONKEEPER'S SAFE

BOULDER, MONT., Dec. 23.—The sheriff here has received word from Elkhorn, a mining camp several miles from here, of a daring robbery. Cracksmen entered the saloon of Harris & Anderson and stole the iron safe, which they carried away on a sled, a quarter of a mile from town. The robbers then blew the safe open and secured about $1,000 in gold coin. The safe was the banking place of many men in the camp.

Machinist Whirled Around Shaft.

Adam Fickhakl of 8245 Dickson street, a machinist at the plant of the McCormick Machine Company at Twenty-fifth street and the Allegheny Valley railroad, had his nose and both arms broken by being whirled around a shafting at the plant yesterday afternoon. He was unconscious when the machinery was stopped. He was taken to the West Penn hospital and is in a serious condition.

PANIC ON BOARD STEAMER BLUCHER

Liner in a Storm and Steerage Passengers Refused to Be Comforted.

ALMOST INSANE WITH DREAD

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A tale of peril at sea, when 1,400 terror-stricken passengers, fighting to escape from the steerage to the upper decks, were held at bay by the drawn revolvers of the ship's officers, while courageous priests prayed and plended among them, reached port today with the arrival of the Hamburg-American line steamship Blucher, from Hamburg and Cherbourg.

After a four-day fight with tremendous gales, in which the great ship rolled and pitched helplessly, while the steerage, full of men, women and children, many of them refugees from Kishineff, crowded into their bunks, the crisis came on Saturday. Some one in the steerage suddenly sent up the cry as the big liner quivered, under the crushing impact of a tremendous sea:

"The ship is sinking."

Pandemonium ensued. Shrieking, praying and groaning, the panic-stricken Jews, almost insane with the dread of death, while the deck above them shut out the sky and light, made a rush for the companion ladders. Their shrieks and calls for help reached to all parts of the ship. The uproar reached the ears of Capt. Kopff, far above on the bridge. He hastened below, and with other officers reached the companion ways in time to thrust revolvers in the faces of the foremost in the upward rush.

Calmed by Two Priests.

The Rev. Father S. V. Eller and Roderick McEachern were sent for and Capt. Kopff asked them to go among the steerage passengers and try to calm them. The reign of terror lasted until the sea subsided.

"I was called to the steerage at 11:30 o'clock Saturday night," said the Rev. Father Eller. "The officers had failed to quiet the panic-stricken passengers. They thought that in the garb of the church I could better plead with them.

"It was not until Sunday morning that our efforts resulted in some semblance of quiet in the steerage. They received their first shock when the steerage compartment side was smashed in. At 3 o'clock Sunday morning the most terrible moans and shrieks again resounded throughout the ship, startling the cabin passengers. With the cry, 'I feel it in the fingers,' taking a ghastly hue on the blanched features of these terror-stricken men and women, the scene in the lower compartment of the ship was indescribable. The officers of the ship behaved with magnificent bravery during the calamity.

"Not for one moment did those in the first and second cabin believe that the big ship was in any danger. But there was no denying the fact that the efforts of those 1,400 panic-stricken ones below was something to shake the heart of the ship's officers quail with fear.

Result Might Have Been Awful.

"Had the frightened steerage passengers been able to reach the deck there is no telling what would have happened. Toward Sunday night the storm abated somewhat and from that time until the very moment we docked my efforts and that of my fellow priest, Father McEachern, were devoted to the task of restoring the steerage passengers to their senses."

The steerage passengers will remain on the ship in charge of the two priests until taken to Ellis Island.

The Blucher is of 12,500 tons and is 522 feet long, 62 feet wide and 43 feet deep. She has twin screws, is of 8,000 horsepower and has a speed of 16 knots.

Mrs. Isabella Bronnart Von Schildendorff was a passenger on the ship. She feared that her name became confused with that of another woman in the recent cables from Germany and that she is not the wife of a German army officer and that her maiden name was Bunne not Adams. She said she had no domestic troubles and had not left Germany because of a divorce. She was here simply to spend Christmas with friends.

CAN RELEASE CREW FROM SUB-MARINE BOAT

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—It was learned today that a novel and interesting experiment was recently tried here, proving conclusively that it would be possible for human beings to extricate themselves from a submarine torpedo boat, if the craft was fast at the bottom. Two dogs were placed in the torpedo tube of a submarine and projected by wadding. The canine occupants were discharged by an explosion of black powder, just as torpedoes. The dogs were safely launched into the water and came to the surface very quickly. It is probable that the crew could get out in the same manner.

NORDICA MAY ABANDON HER SUIT FOR DIVORCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Mme. Nordica may abandon her suit for divorce after all. Friends of Mme. Nordica and Herr Doehne say she contented to forgive him and have told her of its illness. It is said she is inclined to follow their advice. Herr Doehne's attorney says his client is innocent of the charges preferred against him by Mme. Nordica.

ICE BLOCKS MOUNTAIN ROADS IN MARYLAND

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 23.—Special.)—The roads on Warrior and Martin's mountains, east of here, have been made impassable by ice. The rains melted the snow of several days ago and a freeze followed. Farmers who had saved their turkeys and produce for the holiday trade are unable to get them here to market.

TEN MEN BURIED UNDER BUILDING

Three Killed and Seven Hurt by Collapse of Steel Girders.

SOME ARRESTS MAY FOLLOW

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

New York, Dec. 23.—Three men were killed and seven seriously injured in the collapse of the steel-arched girders of the old Thirteenth Regiment armory at Hanson place and Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn, this afternoon. The collapse came when fully 50 men were at work demolishing the old structure.

THE DEAD:

ABRAHAM BERNSTEIN, Suffolk avenue, New York; decapitated.

JAMES CONNORS, Twenty-first street and Tenth avenue, Manhattan; died on way to Brooklyn hospital.

UNIDENTIFIED ITALIAN, crushed to death, body taken to morgue.

THE INJURED:

JOHN MCAULEY, Fourth and Grand streets, Manhattan; arm and ribs broken.

MICHAEL GORLARDI, East New York avenue; skull fractured.

STEPHAN GENEWISK, No. 18 Van Buren street, Brooklyn; leg and arm broken.

UNIDENTIFIED ITALIAN; skull fractured.

J. A. BUTLER, No. 91 Columbia street, Brooklyn; compound fracture right leg.

UNIDENTIFIED ITALIAN; internally injured.

UNIDENTIFIED ITALIAN.

Detective Gloucester of the Brooklyn Central office, was sent out this afternoon with instructions to arrest whoever was responsible for the conditions which led to the accident.

It was reported to the police that the collapse of the enormous girders was due to the manner in which they were being pulled down with ropes, in violation of an order of the building department, directing that they be lowered with derrick and tackle. A rope had just been made fast to the main one of three girders and three men were still sitting on the girder when it fell. Of these two, A. Bernstein and James Connors, were killed. The third man, Michael McLaughlin, came down with the girder, falling the entire distance from the roof to the ground, and was unhurt except for a shaking up.

The old armory was being torn down to make room for an addition to the Long Island railroad station in Flatbush. The wall had been weakened by the removal of the roof and several of the great arched girders. When a rope was fastened to the center of the three remaining girders this afternoon, the men below began to pull and the upper part of the structure gave way.

DUTY AND THE LAW.

Bureau of Health Prevents Priest Seeing a Dying Smallpox Patient.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The privilege of a priest at the bedside of a dying smallpox victim is a question the courts may be called upon to decide. A controversy has arisen because the Rev. Simon Carr, of St. Joachims church, Frankford, was not permitted to enter the home of Thomas M. Peel, a communicant, to administer extreme unction as the latter was dying of smallpox.

"The affair is unfortunate," said Dr. A. A. Cairns, of the board of health. "I refused to allow the priest to go into the house and come out again. A physician, when he goes to treat a case of smallpox, wears a specially prepared robe, and takes other precautions that long experience has fitted him to take. Father Carr was a brave man to be willing to run the risk that he did, but the law says certain things must not be done, and I had no authority to make exceptions."

DIED ON THE EVE INHERITING A MILLION

OWENSBORO, KY., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—William, an estate exceeding $1,000,000 in England, Mrs. Nancy Stout died here today in poverty. She learned only a few weeks ago that she was the heir to the property and had she lived a short time longer would have been in possession of it. Her attorney is now in England. The property consists of land in Nottinghamshire, Canterbury and deposits in the Bank of England. Mrs. Short leaves four children, among whom the property will be divided.

EAST PITTSBURGH POLICE FIND THE FALL HOLLOW GANG

Hidden away in the wilds of Fall hollow, the East Pittsburgh police claim to have found a cave, the rendezvous of a band of youthful robbers. Large quantities of whisky, beer, candy and cigars were discovered, together with two dark lanterns and a lot of home-made burglar tools. A number of petty robberies have been reported in East Pittsburgh recently. The police say that they suspected that the crimes were being committed by boys. One youthful bandit was given the "third degree," and he fearfully informed on his comrades. Then he led the way to the cave.

Allegheny Man Takes Poison.

Edward Martin of 1196 Irwin street, Allegheny, is dying at the Allegheny General hospital, where he was taken in a patrol wagon late last night, after an alleged attempt on his life by taking poison.

Fireman Is Killed at Duquesne.

Gustave McClelland, aged 40, a railroad fireman, was killed at the Duquesne steel work late last night by being struck by the drawhead of a locomotive. He was married.

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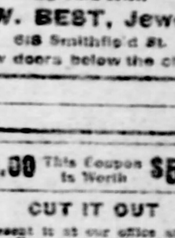

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CAR PLANT EMPLOYES HAVE GOOD TIMES ON THE ICE

Employes of the Pressed Steel Car Company have been enjoying the good skating that the works during the past week. Ice is so plenty in the Ohio river above the dam that car works employes are almost skate back and forth to work from Allegheny. The company has kept a boat going through the cold weather, and had it not been for this, no doubt an effort would have been made to cross the river on the ice.

RULES CHANGED BY REPUBLICAN

Primaries for Two Offices That Will Be Voted for Together.

DOINGS AMONG POLITICIANS

The Republican city executive committee met last night in the common council chamber and received resolutions amending the rules fixing the dates for the primary elections, to conform with the new dates fixed by the Republican county committee. According to the rules of the city committee primaries would have been held in May and June for the nomination of delegates to nominate county and legislative candidates, and delegates to the national convention. The amendments offered last night consolidate these two primaries and bring them forward to the third Saturday in March, but for the year 1904 only.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Max G. Leslie and the three amendments necessary to change the date of the primaries were offered by Thomas C. Warren, F. C. Beinhauer and Thomas E. Perry. Under the rules of the committee amendments have to lie over 10 days and, therefore, on motion of Senator William A. Magee, the committee adjourned to meet on the evening of January 4, 1904.

Mr. Magee said the organization ought to declare its position in a platform and his motion that a committee of five be appointed to frame such a document was carried. Chairman Leslie appointed Mr. Magee, chairman of the committee, and said he would appoint the other members later, and they would be called together by Chairman Magee.

The Union Workingmen's association met last night and decided to enter the coming contest for legislative honors. The officers believe the association can elect a representative of five of the eight districts in Allegheny county. The headquarters, No. 210 Fourth avenue, will be open day and evening for two months. A meeting is to which all union men are invited, will be held on Saturday evening.

For the first time in the history of Braddock primaries will be held for the nomination of borough officers. All the officers but burgess will be voted for at the coming primaries on Saturday, January 16. The Republicans of Homestead will hold primaries on the same date and Munhall Republicans on Saturday, January 23.

Select Councilman Evan Jones' connection with the Republican organization was officially terminated last night, when he was ejected from the ward committee of the Thirty-sixth ward. He was chairman of the district committee of the Fourth district of the ward, and that committee had already ejected him when the ward committee met on Tuesday night in the office of W. H. Hezelbarth in the West End. At that meeting a motion was made to strike Evan Jones' name from the roll, and it was done unanimously.

Jones had not been attending the meetings of the ward committee since he cast in his lot with the city administration by voting for James J. Booth, the administration's candidate for president of select council.

The Orphans Twentieth ward committee is expected to be called in a few days to nominate somebody in place of Daniel Ashworth, who declined to accept the nomination for common council. Although it is well known that Councilman Charles B. Crawford could have had a renomination, but declined to stand because of his physician's orders, the report was started that Crawford would be nominated in place of Ashworth. Mr. Crawford took the pains to announce yesterday that it was not the intention to nominate him. He is chairman of the ward committee, and as he is not able to go out at night the committee has been meeting in his house.

Councilman Harry A. Lamb is much disgusted with the alleged councilmanic nominations made by the ward committee of the Eleventh ward on Tuesday night. The committee named its chairman, Dr. H. B. Burns, for select council, and Thomas Donohue for common council. It appointed a committee to confer with the Democrats, expecting the committee to agree on Henry Fitzpatrick, common councilman. By this arrangement Councilman Lamb would be eliminated entirely, a program that does not suit him.

"Dr. Burns has been setting things up to make himself select councilman for some time," said Lamb. "He is the chairman of the ward committee and claims to be city committeeman. He has been appointing what he calls honorary committeemen, and has decided that 12 of these gentlemen constitute a quorum of the regularly elected ward committee. There were only six real ward committeemen at that meeting last night. I don't see how city committee can sanction such proceedings, especially as the chairman, Burns, did not notify the regular committeemen that there was to be a meeting."

The Independent Voters' association of the Nineteenth ward nominated a councilmanic ticket last night. John L. Lundis of Frankstown avenue and Louis Kable of Collins avenue were nominated for common council. The term of the select councilman of the ward, Charles W. West, will not expire until 1906.

The executive committee met in the Margaretta school house. The 1902 platform of the Citizens party was adopted, with a substitute for the sections relating to franchises for public utilities, the substitute being about the same as the Orpheus' platform on the same subject.

D. A. Rees, J. E. Jones and Jacob Imhoff were appointed a committee to confer with other political parties, it being the hope of the Independent Voters' association that the Orphans will indorse Fundis and Kable.

A committee of 48 members was appointed. Among them are E. W. Houston, William H. Goehring, T. S. Moore, J. E. Williams, John H. Noble, Vincent Farrelly, John H. Sraas, R. W. O'Brien, H. Sellers Lacy, C. G. Ellwood, Jacob Graff, Henry Nexley and William C. Schiller.

DIDN'T MIND DELAY.

New York Hospital Notified Pittsburgh Family of Death by Mail.

Authorities of Governors Hospital, Governors island, New York, evidently think that the mail is quicker than the telegraph. Anthony Morzel, an East End barber, died at that institution last Saturday morning. Monday afternoon his family at 6840 Penn avenue was notified of the death by a postal card. Word was immediately sent to have the body shipped to Pittsburgh and the remains arrived yesterday.

Morzel, who was well known in the East End, had been working at his trade in New York city for some time. A few weeks ago he went to Governors Hospital, suffering from heart fetiture. He is survived by a brother, Joseph, and three sisters, all of whom reside at 6840 Penn avenue.

The Rev. A. A. Nellis Will Come Here.

The congregation of the Union Baptist church, South Twenty-fifth street, has received word from the Rev. A. A. Nellis of Upper Horsboro, a suburb of Philadelphia, that he has accepted the call to the church. Mr. Nellis is a graduate of the Crozier Theological Seminary and has been in the ministry for seven years. He succeeds the Rev. John M. Thomas as pastor.

Homestead Firemen to Celebrate.

Members of the Third ward (Homestead) volunteer company will hold a celebration and banquet at their rooms this evening in honor of the arrival of a new chemical engine recently purchased by the borough council. A large number of invitations have been issued and a smoking vid a supper are to be features of the celebration.

Hotel Henry.

Take your dinner at Hotel Henry Christmas eve, December 24, 1903. Grand orchestra concert. Full orchestra, under direction of Prof. Frank Kramer, 7 until 12 p. m. Special à la carte. Bill served in Colonial rooms and cafe.

CAMPBELL'S.

Choice Young Canary

Early in the Day.

If you intend to give some one a bird a Chaffinch taken, and want one of the Hoff Harz mountain canaries, a Bullfinch, better make your selection before ridiculous Only about 50 of these intelligent German warblers remained unsold when "The People's Store" closed last night. The large brass cages for 75c, $1.25 and $1.50.

ANGRY WOMEN TO RESIST TRANSFER

Mass Meeting of Ladies' Aid Society at South Side Hospital Next Tuesday.

COURT'S POWER INVOKED

Prompt action to prevent the South Side hospital being placed in charge of a Roman Catholic sister is to be taken by the Ladies' Aid society, connected with the maintenance and administration of the hospital. Yesterday it was decided that a mass meeting of present and former members of the society be held next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the hospital to enter a formal protest against the action of the directors last Tuesday night in electing Sister Mary Dunlevy of Baden superintendent.

Measures will also be adopted to prevent Sister Dunlevy from taking charge on January 1 as planned. These measures will probably be in the form as a petition to the courts asking for a restraining order. The call for the mass meeting will be issued today by Mrs. M. F. Hutchins, president of the Ladies' Aid society.

The announcement that a mass meeting would be called was made last night by John L. Lewis, who represents the Ladies' Aid society on the board of hospital directors.

"The entire community is incensed at the action of the directors," said Mr. Lewis, who is ill and was not able to attend the meeting Tuesday night. "Protests are coming in from many prominent men and women, and I am satisfied that the courts will have a great deal to say regarding the proposed change of the hospital from a non-sectarian to a sectarian institution. The Ladies' Aid society has done more for the hospital than any other set of persons, and it was certainly a high-handed move to make the change without, at least, consulting the women who have labored unremittingly for the hospital for the last 15 years and who have contributed nearly $70,000 for its support.

"The Ladies' Aid society is unanimously opposed to the transfer, and if Dr. J. P. Kerr says the executive committee of the society acquiesced in the plan, he told what was not true. The Ladies' Aid society is undenominational, and when it was organized an invitation was extended to the women of all the Roman Catholic churches of the South Side to join, but they did not accept. The members now comprise all the Protestant denominations and some Hebrew women, and they are indignant at the effort to oust them."

It was stated yesterday that the transfer of the management of the hospital to the sisterhood meant that the Ladies' Aid society would be ousted completely from the control of the institution. Mr. Lewis said last night that any move in this direction would be bitterly fought in the courts.

"While the women have decided to take a hand in this matter, we may not wait until the meeting of the Ladies' Aid society next week. Our course will be determined by legal advice, which we will seek at once," he said.

MRS. SOFFEL AS STAR.

Melodrama in Which She Is to Appear Being Manufactured at Phenomenal Speed.

The new melodrama in which Mrs. Kate Soffel is to begin her stage career is being manufactured at phenomenal speed. It is being ground out at the rate of an act in less than a week, a scene every day and a climax once an hour. In a little room on the third floor front in the Commercial Hotel in Sixth street the playwright is engaged on his task and next Monday will have finished the drama. Yesterday Mrs. Soffel was photographed in her costume in the character of Agnes Grey, "a noble but misunderstood woman," and in the alley in the rear of the Duquesne theater the artists and stage carpenters are at work building the scenery.

Rehearsals will commence in the Duquesne theater today. On January 23 Mrs. Soffel will make her debut at Connellsville. Ten people will be in the cast. Mrs. Soffel will play Agnes Grey. More interesting than the play itself is the manner of its making. Shakespeare is reputed to have written "The Merry Wives of Windsor" for Queen Elizabeth in 14 days, and the backers of the new melo drama will probably declare that with such a record established by the divine William there should be no reason why a play cannot be written for Mrs. Soffel in 10 days. At his typewriter in his room Vic Calver, a former eastern newspaper man, is writing against time. Throughout the night and far into the early hours of the morning the merry click of his instrument is heard while he pounds the keys. The first act was finished on Monday, the second will be done tomorrow and the entire work will be reeled off next Monday.

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I had Rheumatism in my hand so badly that the joints became stiff and I had not been able to close the hand in two years. A few applications of Hamlins Wizard Oil removed the Contraction of the Cords and I have since had entire use of my hand. JOHN OGDEN.

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NATATORIUM TURKISH BATHS.

Duquesne Way, Near Sixth St., Swimming and Tub Baths. Ladies' Day, Friday. From 7 A. M. to 7 P. M.

CITY WARRANT IS MADE OUT FOR THREE CENTS

Mayor William B. Mayo yesterday made out and Assistant Controller E. S. Morrow countersigned a warrant for 3 cents in favor of Booth & Flinn Company, Limited, for grading, paving and curbing of Tacoma street, between Oakwood and Rosedale streets, in the Thirty-seventh ward. The 3 cents was the balance due Booth & Flinn on the contract when the accounts was balanced yesterday in the city controller's office. Today the firm will be notified by the controller that the warrant is ready for delivery and when called for it will be taken to the city treasurer's office and cashed, unless the owner wishes to keep it as a memento of one of its smallest transactions.

Christmas Gift for Braddock Church.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church, Braddock, has received a deed from Mrs Lydia Baldridge, wife of John Baldridge of Pennsylvania avenue, North Braddock, to the lot on which the congregation's church building is erected as a Christmas gift. The Mt. Zion church secured the lot, 40x125 feet, in Sixth street from Mrs. Baldridge, but after erecting a frame church house the congregation was unable to pay off the mortgage. The mortgage fell due on Tuesday, and, instead of foreclosing, the pastor, the Rev. N. A. Mackey, was presented with the deed to the property, which is worth about $6,000.

A SEVERE COLD

is nearly always followed by serious complications. Protect the system from sudden Colds, Chills or attacks of Malaria, Fever and Ague by taking Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is the best safeguard in existence and at this season of the year no home should be without it. It will also cure Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Nervousness, Insomnia and Kidney Troubles. Be sure to try it. Ask your druggist for our 1904 Almanac.

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Also Open Christmas Day Till Noon

For the convenience of customers Hamilton's music store will be kept open till 10 o'clock this evening.

We are pleased to be able to assure those who have not yet made their selections that our stock of pianos and all kinds of musical goods still affords as complete a range of choice as at the beginning of the Christmas season.

Here and here only can you get the A. B. Chase—the best piano in the world—or such famous makes as the Fischer, the Schumann, etc. And here only can you get the Angelus Piano Player. Besides there are all the standard music boxes, Talking Machines, Columbia Graphophones, Martin Guitars and Mandolins, Violins and musical goods of every description.

Come any time today or this evening up till 10 o'clock.

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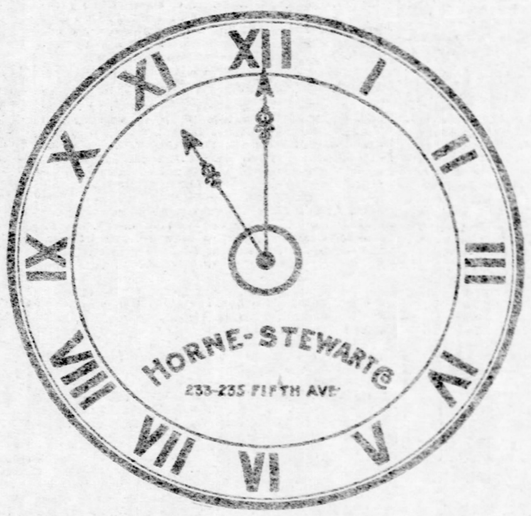

Eleventh Hour

Open Quite Late This Evening

Thousands who for some reason or other have put off their choosing and buying will come rushing in at the eleventh hour half expecting not to find what they want—they are quite apt to be most agreeably disappointed.

When Convenient Please Take Small Parcels With You—It Helps Us and Others With Bigger Ones.

There's a wide choice of holiday goods still here and great price concessions — some stocks are reinforced by telegraph and express and folks will buy where values are best.

233-235 Fifth Avenue

JOSEPH HORNE CO.

Weather—Cloudy. Thursday, December 24, 1903.

The Last Day and Last Hour Buyers.

From 8 o'clock this morning until 9:30 tonight late buyers can find all sorts of interesting gift propositions here.

The roominess of the store makes choosing a matter of pleasure, without regard to how large the crowds may be.

Special arrangements have been made to wait upon all speedily, and in this, the last day's Christmas rush, every loophole into which an error might creep has been closed up. No disappointments if we can possibly avoid them.

Then today and tonight for the liveliest selling of the Christmas season.

Suggestion—Toys for the youngsters. Never such a Toyland as the one we have this year. Today we reduce all dolls' white furniture to half prices; all go-carts to half prices; all dolls' carriages to half prices; all soiled animals to half prices; all rubber goods to half prices.

Suggestion—Time today to get her that fur coat, which you have been promising yourself to buy her. It would be the right thing to do. Alaska Seal Coats for $200.00; Persian Lamb Coats for $295.00; Russian Squirrel Coats for $100.00.

All odds and ends, every fur that is known worked up into handsome neckpieces, inexpensive to finest made. Long Scarfs of Nearseal for $6.00; Rich Black Lynx Boas for $18.00 and $25.00; Blue Fox Boas for $25.00; Isabella and Sable Fox Scarfs, $7.50, $10.00, $12.50. Then there are the Muffs, every long coat suit should be accompanied by one. Round Nearseal Muff, $2.25; Flat or Round Fox Muffs for $15.00; Pillow-shaped Muffs of Squirrel $15.00; Flat Mink Muffs for $25.00.

Suggestion—Gloves for women, gloves for men—both street and dress gloves. Prices on men's gloves begin at $1.00 a pair for a splendid Walking Glove, cut after the English style, and on through to fine Gloves at $1.50, $1.75, $2.00 a pair. Women's kid gloves for $1.00 a pair and some four different styles from which to choose; finer gloves for women, $1.50 and up to $2.50 a pair.

Suggestion—For a man—Shaving Stands from $8.50 to $30.00; Shaving Mirrors, $10.00 to $15.00; Shaving Cabinets, $30.00 to $40.00.

Suggestion—For an elderly woman, a handsome shawl. We are showing shoulder shawls and knitted shawls, shawls that are square and long, at various prices. Shoulder shawls $1.25 to $3.50; silk knitted shawls with fringe $1.50 to $10.00; black Cashmere Shawls, $2.50 to $12.00; black wool shawls, $3.50 to $12.00.

Suggestion—For a man who drives much, a Fur Cap. Electric Seal Caps, $3.50; Caps of Beaver and Nutria Fur, $4.00; Caps of Alaska Seal, $5.00 to $15.00; Fur Gloves, $4.50 to $20; Carriage Robes, $5 to $75.

Suggestion—For everybody, Handkerchiefs. The elegant handkerchief, of course, lace, $2.50 up to $75.00; next in order the linen handkerchief, daintily trimmed with lace, 25c to $35 then the plain linen handkerchief, 10c and on up as high as you want to go. The foregoing is suggestive for women's presents. Men's Handkerchiefs from 12 1-2c up to $4.00.

Suggestion—For a young woman, a middle-aged woman, or an elderly woman, either a feather or a Liberty Silk Boa—all these sold now for reduced prices.

Suggestion—A Cheval Mirror for a young woman—quite a variety in the Furniture Department, Fifth floor, $17.00 to $150.00.

Suggestion—To the housewife a China Dinner Set, $25.00 to $300.00

Suggestion—For the young lady or girl, Dressing Sacques, $1.00 to $75.00.

Suggestion—For a boy or girl, Skates and Hockey Shoes. Skates, 50c to $5.00. Hockey shoes, $3.50.

Suggestion—For a business man, Inkstand, $1.00 to $25.00; Desk Pads, $1.00 to $10.00; Desk Fixings, 50c to $18.00; Calendars, 25c to $7.50.

Suggestion—For everybody, Umbrellas of every kind and the price range, $1.00 to $25.00. Yet the price range merely indicates the great variety.

Suggestion—For amateur photographers, Kodaks and all paraphernalia pertaining thereto. Eastman's famous Kodaks from $1.00 up to $75.00.

Suggestion—For women and girls of all ages, Collar and Cuff Sets in great variety.

Suggestion—For men, and boys, too, Striking Bags, $1.00 to $4.50. Dumb Bells, 25c to 45c; Indian Clubs, 25c to 45c; Boxing Gloves, $1.00 to $4.50 for set of four.

Suggestion—For young ladies, Lace Collars, $2.50 to $75.00. Lace Stoles, $2.75 to $60.00; Lace Berthas, $10.00 to $125.00.

Suggestion—For the housewife, Pillow Shams and Bed Sets, $3.00 to $12.00; Lace Centerpieces, $1.00 to $35.00; Cuckoo Clocks, $5.00 to $25.00.

Suggestion—For boys, Pool Tables, $10.00 to $75.00; Guns, 25c to $1.50; Printing Presses, 50c to $8.00; Military Brushes, $1.50 to $9.00.

Suggestion—For baby, Dress Pins, 50c to $4.00 the set; Silver Rattles, 75c to $3.50; Bread and Milk sets, $1.75.

Suggestion—For girls and young ladies, Shirtwaist Boxes, $3.00 and up; Trunks, $4.00 to $50.00; Wrist Bags, 50c to $7.50; Work Tables, $20.00 to $50.00.

Suggestion—For men, Traveling Flasks, $2.50 to $18.00; Bill Books, $1.00 to $7.50; Leather Hat Boxes, $5.00 to $16.50.

Suggestion—For women, Perfumes, 25c to $5.00; Puff Boxes, 50c to $1.50; Jewel Cases, $1.00 to $35.00.

Suggestion—For the girl away at school, a box of initial Stationery, 50c to $5.00; Fan, $1.00 to $5.00; raincoat, $4.00 to $40.00.

Suggestion—For men and women, Dress Suit Case, $1.25 to $30.00.

Suggestion—For everybody, Pictures. Pictures for the den, for the dining room, for the hall, for the drawing room. Neat little prints to elegant oils. 25c to $150.00.

Suggestion—For the invalid, some work of fiction, 25c and up.

Suggestion—For the baby, Gold Necklaces, $1.00 to $4.00; Lockets, $1.00 to $3.50.

Suggestion—For great-grandfather, bandana Silk Handkerchief, 75c to $2.50.

Suggestion—For great-grandmother, fine Rocker, $4.25 and up to $6.00.

And back of the foregoing suggestions there are a thousand and one other things just as engagingly suggestive.

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 2, No. 49, February term, 1904.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for the construction of a sewer in Ella street, from the end of present sewer to north line of Mayfield avenue, Tenth ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear all exceptions thereto and evidence in support.

GEO. F. HARMES,
E. E. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

(No. 180).

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) dollars from item No. 2, appropriation No. 11, bureau of wharves and landings, to item No. 2, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) dollars from item No. 2, bureau of wharves and landings, to item No. 2, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils, this 17th day of December, A. D. 1903.

JOHN C. OLIVER,
President Pro Tem. of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 143.)

AN ORDINANCE.—Transferring the sum of ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars from appropriation No. 33, contingencies, to item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, department of public safety.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the sum of ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars is hereby transferred from appropriation No. 33, contingent claims, to item No. 2, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, department of public safety, to provide funds for the current fiscal year to meet extraordinary expenses of said bureau occasioned by the prevalence of contagious diseases in this city.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 17th day of December, A. D. 1903.

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SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 128.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of two hundred ($200.00) dollars from item No. 4, bureau of engineering and surveys, to item No. 2, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the city comptroller be and is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of two hundred ($200.00) dollars from item No. 4, bureau of engineering and surveys, to item No. 2, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

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Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 141.)

AN ORDINANCE.—Transferring the sum of seventy-one thousand four hundred eighty-seven ($71,487.00) dollars from appropriation No. 33, contingencies, to item No. 3, appropriation No. 7, bureau of health, department of public safety, to provide funds for the current fiscal year to meet extraordinary expenses of said bureau occasioned by the prevalence of contagious diseases in this city.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 17th day of December, A. D. 1903.

JOHN C. OLIVER,
President Pro Tem. of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 142.)

AN ORDINANCE.—Authorizing the issue of twenty-one thousand four hundred eighty-seven ($21,487.00) dollars city of Allegheny bonds, for the cost of paving and curbing of Somerset avenue, from California avenue to Stayton street.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an issue of registered bonds to the value of the city of Allegheny, to the amount of twenty-one thousand four hundred eighty-seven ($21,487.00) dollars, be and the same is hereby authorized to be negotiated, in accordance with the act of assembly entitled: "An act providing a system whereby cities may pave streets and alleys, pay the cost thereof by the issue of bonds and collect the same from the property benefited by installments," approved June 12, 1895, and the same be and is hereby authorized and directed.

Sec. 2. That bonds shall be of the denomination of one thousand dollars or multiples thereof, payable to bearer, dated from January 1, 1904, with interest thereon at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, payable semi-annually at the office of the city controller in the city of Allegheny, Pa., and the principal thereof at maturity at the same place. Said bonds to be signed by the mayor and treasurer and countersigned by the controller and sealed with the corporate seal of the city, and the proceeds thereof shall be applied exclusively for the payment of the cost of grading, paving and curbing of Somerset avenue, from California avenue to Stayton street, and to no other purpose whatsoever.

Sec. 3. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 17th day of December, A. D. 1903.

JOHN C. OLIVER,
President Pro Tem. of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 139.)

AN ORDINANCE.—Transferring the sum of $5,000.00 from item No. 1 to item No. 2, appropriation No. 12, and the sum of $1,000.00 from item No. 2, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, to item No. 4, appropriation No. 12, bureau of water, to meet expenses of said bureau for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Sec. 2. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 17th day of December, A. D. 1903.

JOHN C. OLIVER,
President Pro Tem. of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

(No. 130.)

AN ORDINANCE.—Authorizing the city comptroller to transfer the sum of one hundred ($100.00) dollars from item No. 2, appropriation No. 11, bureau of wharves and landings, to item No. 2, appropriation No. 10, bureau of engineering and surveys, department of public works.

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Thursday, December 24, 1903.

The court has affirmed the constitutionality of the law and the ordinance requiring plumbers to be licensed. The regulation is sustained on the ground that it will insure safe and sanitary work. It will have the effect, in some degree, of limiting competition, since unlicensed plumbers may not operate in the city. On the other hand, however, it will increase the responsibility of those who are licensed to do the work. They must be prepared to have their work up to the standard.

Director Bigelow's successful efforts to obtain money for city employes will make Christmas brighter in many households and will stand to his credit. Nevertheless such an expedient should not have been necessary. A well managed municipal corporation would have resources for the payment of its employes when such payment was due. It is to be hoped that in making up the budget for next year such matters will be fully provided for and that no way will be left open to squander the money for other purposes. The increased property valuations will render a business course easy, since it will not involve an increase in the millage, also.

A new proposition has been made by the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western railroad, to open the Wabash, affecting its request for an elevated railroad franchise on the Allegheny river front. It offers joint use with other roads of not only the elevated tracks, but of the main line into the city, which is quite a generous concession on its part. It is so generous, in fact, that there is a disposition in some quarters to inquire if there is not some ulterior motive in it. There is one point that does concern the public, and that is the status of any railroad that might take advantage of the offer for joint use of the tracks. Would it be subject to the payment of compensation to the city under the linear license tax ordinance, or would the one payment by the Wabash cover all liabilities on that line?

Secretary Moody requests a special appropriation of $2,000,000 for armor and armament and $200,000 to pay Cuba for the land occupied as a naval station at Guantanamo. These appropriations should be granted without delay. Cuba should not be asked to wait for its money and the equipment of the new vessels ought to be carried forward as rapidly as they are ready for it. True, the anti-American Americans object in general to the expense of creating and maintaining a navy, but there is ample reason to believe it true economy. At any rate, no attention need be paid to the objectors, because if anything happened as a result of failure to have a good navy they would be the first to complain that national interests had been neglected. To be prepared to meet trouble is half of the effort to avoid it.

Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy has been indorsed again by the British voters. This time it is in the Ludlow division of Shropshire, where Rowland Hunt, Liberal-Unionist, has been elected by a majority of 970 to succeed Mr. Moore, deceased, of the same party. The significance lies in the fact that no issue was urged on either side during the campaign other than that of the tariff. The Free Food league, organized to combat Mr. Chamberlain's policy, took an active part in the canvass against Mr. Hunt, but without avail. It will not do to argue, as was done in the case of the recent election at Dulwich, that because the Conservative majority was less than at a previous election the tariff issue is not popular. It is a new argument of the voters and a majority means a member. Party lines are not being closely adhered to and the tariff is quite as likely to win in former Liberal districts as in those held by Conservatives or Liberal-Unionists.

It is unusual to be menaced by ice gorges in the Allegheny river in December, but it is one at Springdale is causing much apprehension on the part of riversmen and of property owners in the valley near the river. United States Engineer Arras pronounces the gorge the worst he has ever seen on the river. The result is to revive the sometime prediction of another eminent engineer that the construction of dams on the Allegheny would work damage first by affording obstructions against which heavy ice might lodge, and second by facilitating the freezing over of the stream by creating still water. The Allegheny is a swift stream, flowing from a cold region. Slackwater along its course will be of inestimable value if it can be maintained against winter vicissitudes, but the present situation is suggestive of the necessity for impartial investigation.

A London dispatch brings the information that the Anglo-Jewish association has taken cognizance of the reports that another massacre is being planned at Kishineff and is about to make representations to the Russian government on the subject. It is also said the British foreign minister, Lord Lansdowne, is considering the matter. Certainly with the warning that has been given and the representations that will be made the Russian government will have ample opportunity to prevent a repetition of the Kishineff horror of last spring. If it does not do so it will earn the reprobation of every civilized nation. Unforeseen outbreaks of violence may happen in any country, but to allow a massacre to be planned weeks in advance and executed without an effort to interfere, would constitute an ineradicable national disgrace.

Panama Situation.

Admiral Walker's report to President Roosevelt on conditions in Panama are gratifying to say the least. He is of the opinion that it will not be necessary under any circumstances to send an army to the isthmus, and he does not believe it will be necessary to send more marines. The admiral is quite familiar with the topography of the region and the people and must be accounted good authority on the subject. His most cogent remark, however, is that if the treaty should be promptly ratified by the United States senate, Colombia would have no further incentive to attempt the subjugation of Panama. That is the situation in a nutshell, but the senate is not composed of patriots exclusively.

Gen. Rafael Reyes takes a fair view of the matter, since he has interviewed the European diplomatists, and is using his utmost influence to prevent warlike demonstrations by his country. He has advised Colombia that war on Panama will mean war with the United States, and that war with the United States will be utterly hopeless from the start. That is good counsel. But the trouble with Colombia is that it is governed by Quixotic sentiments more than by reason and may invite certain defeat rather than suffer a fancied injury to its "national honor." We had some experience with Spain on the same score. It is not a reading nation nor a thinking people that Gen. Reyes has to deal with in Colombia.

Ratification of the Panama treaty and the physical difficulties of a land invasion combined might impress the Colombians. But a factitious opposition to the treaty in the senate will encourage them to rashness.

A Democratic Love Feast.

Although at present Cleveland is not being featured as a candidate he will soon make a prominent appearance on the political stage. He is scheduled for the principal speech at the dinner in honor of Mayor-Elect McClellan of New York on January 4. Bourke Cochran will preside and Judge Parker and ex-Senator Hill will be present. The affair is planned as a party love feast at which the "favorite sons" of the New York Democracy are to be put on exhibition. The keynote of the affair is a united Democracy and a New York candidate for president.

The participation of ex-President Cleveland is a shrewd maneuver. The plans of those who seek to accomplish his nomination are based upon the contingency that none of the open candidates will develop sufficient strength, and if an underlying sentiment favorable to Cleveland can be worked up the convention may turn to him as the best solution of the problem, and draught him as the party standard-bearer in spite of his reluctance to serve. It is advantageous to this plan of campaign that Cleveland's personality should not appear to stand in the way of any other candidate, but that he should be friendly with all. He will appear in this gracious attitude at the McClellan dinner, which is primarily a demonstration in favor of the new mayor as an available candidate. It is well understood that his real inclusion in the list of availables depends upon the impression he makes in the mayor's office, and the prominence given to him by the party gathering in his honor will be of no advantage to him unless supplemented by evidence of fitness which he has yet to supply.

An occasion to hold such a party love feast without disturbance from Bryan's apparition to party reunion on new issues is opportunely furnished by Bryan's absence in Europe. Bryan's inning will come later when he makes a triumphant return from his conferences with the crowned heads of Europe, but for the present he has ceased to be a factor in New York politics, and the party managers have an acceptable breathing spell in which to gather up their energies for the inevitable tussle with Bryanism in the national convention.

A Burning Question.

It is surprising to what an extreme of statement devotion to a hobby will sometimes carry a public journal which really means to be good, and which does not intend to counsel or applaud anything actually wrong. Yet here is the Dispatch declaring in effect that destruction of coal to bring about a shortage is "a rather mild case of the stock combination method of producing scarcity" as compared with leaving the coal in the ground.

It happens that the New York Sun, which shines for all at so much per shine, declared the other day that "the Philadelphia Christmas tree dealers who saturated 4,000 trees with oil and then burned them in order to keep prices up by a more limited supply deserve to be hanged on the trees that are left till they almost gasp for breath." The Dispatch approves the sentiment, but declares further:

> Yet when we examine the matter it appears to be a rather mild case of the stock combination method of producing scarcity in order to exact high prices. No one will go hungry in Philadelphia because he could not pay the price for a Christmas tree. No family will shiver with cold for lack of a tree. Yet both these results, in a possibly indefinite, but certainly inevitable percentage, will follow the corporate method of making miners in the anthracite regions to stand idle in order that prices for coal in the markets may be maintained at a high level.

The Dispatch assumes to deal with an underlying principle, and in doing so declares that as between the destruction of commodities already produced and failure to produce them it prefers the destructive process being as "mild" in comparison with the process that conserves the product in the ground. True, the Dispatch dealt with the destruction of an over-supply of Christmas trees on the one hand and a refusal to glut the market with coal on the other. But substitute in the first instance an overstocked coal market for an overstocked tree market, and there you are. There, also, is the Dispatch.

Let us assume, however, that the Dispatch became confused in dealing with two products at one time and lost its bearings between them in an attempt to score a point against the corporations. If it had been coal that the Philadelphians destroyed the Dispatch would have been less likely to say that the destruction was "mild" in comparison with leaving coal in the ground, to be mined when the market would take it. But as it was trees that the Philadelphians burned to cure apparent over-production, the underlying principle was lost sight of and the Dispatch asserted a preference for the destructive process. This is really too bad.

In the Far East.

There continues to be some talk of peace in the far east, but there is no denying the increase of war sentiment. It is certain that both Russia and Japan are exerting every effort in preparation for war while the negotiations for a peaceful settlement continue. Japan in particular is ready to fight. German opinion inclines to the thought that Great Britain can prevent war if it will, but we do not consider the German point well taken.

It is notable that the sentiment in Peking diplomatic circles is utterly pessimistic. Aside from the ambassadors from Russia and Japan, all of the foreign ministers at the Chinese capital expect war. They are in a pretty good position to judge, since they are in touch with the causes of the controversy. They must understand pretty well the Russian attitude toward the controverted particulars, and no one seems to doubt Japan's willingness to make a test of arms for its future as a powerful factor on the Asiatic mainland.

Incidentally our old friend Wu Ting Fang is heard from in a most pessimistic strain concerning the future of China. He is unable to make any progress in modernizing the thought of his country and he sees nothing of promise in the fastening of the Russian hold upon its territory. He does not say so, but he probably believes that the awakening of China is only possible by Japanese influence.

While the governor of Alexandretta has, under orders, told Consul Davis how sorry he is now, it is understood that the five policemen who were thrashed by the consul have been sorry all along.

While it really looks warlike in the far east it is easily discernible that neither Russia nor Japan has actually required anyone to do the restraining act.

The governor of Georgia joins the legislature of Louisiana in hoping that southern senators won't make fools of themselves on the Panama matter.

The extreme politeness of Russia and Japan in each leaving it to the other to strike the first blow is really discouraging to the wardogs.

Tomorrow will be a Friday that isn't a fast day, though it will probably be fast and furious in the early morning.

Santa Claus couldn't cover near so much territory, nor half so well, if papa did not finance the movement.

It is one of the exasperations of life that just as soon as the money is all gone the bargain sales will begin.

The strain on the Christmas stocking may be great, but the strain on the Broome has been much greater.

Movements of Colombian troops may merely indicate that this is the season for excursion rates in Colombia.

So much typhoid fever for Christmas isn't exactly what the people of Pittsburgh had hoped for.

Not many mail carriers wear long white whiskers, but they get there just the same.

The man behind the pocketbook will now begin to consider its replenishment.

Mr. Rockefeller is a pretty good Santa Claus for the Chicago university.

Col. Bryan hasn't said a word about being in the enemy's country.

In one way or another Gov. Pennypacker keeps in the limelight.

Santa Claus will have many able understudies this evening.

Just one day of anticipation for Johnny and his sister Sue.

Gen. Wood thinks that another investigation is due him.

Positively the last day to buy Christmas presents.

Much depends on the face under the mistletoe.

Nearly all the Christmas hosiery comes high.

This will be Santa Claus' busy night.

Put Them to Digging.

What are we to do with the Colombian "army" after we capture it. And yet if we don't arrest it, it will go on frightening Panama, making threats and smoking cigarettes. So there you are.—Detroit Tribune.

No Taste for Publicity.

They can elect a new president in Switzerland without even calling for big headlines in the newspapers. What contempt, mingled with pity, the South American republics must have for that country.—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Sublime Rival.

Now that the Cuban treaty has been signed, Pittsburgh will be a some competition in the manufacture of Havana cigars.—Washington Post.

The Quiet Observer.

ERASMUS WILSON.

Christmas, as it is, is all right, but it wasn't always as it is now. In fact the present style of observing Christmas came in vogue after the war, and only began to take on size and importance with the revival of business after the panic of '73.

So, you see, Christmas as you now see it isn't so very old.

And with its taking on its present style and proportions it began to lose in religious significance, so that today it means only a season of revelry, save to a very few.

To those who make the most Christmas fuss it only means the receiving and the giving of a few presents, the more important being the receiving of the same.

This, as you know, if you know anything about the spirit of Christmas, is the very reverse of what it should be.

It may not be too much to say that the disappointments, heartaches and ill-feelings of the morning after Christmas will well nigh balance all the real pleasures or genuine happiness brought by it, for the real happiness, and the helpful pleasure comes through giving and not through receiving.

It is human nature to expect much, usually more than it gets, which means disappointment and ill-feeling. These are distinctly unChristian.

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But then, this is no time to lecture, yet one may be allowed to call attention to these things at a time when they are prominently in the public mind.

There was a time, as previously remarked, when Christmas was not such a big affair as it now is. It had not taken on its Saturnalian characteristics, but was more of a religious institution, if observed at all.

In some country districts it was highly regarded as a holiday, although it was usually selected as the day for the schoolmaster to treat, and if he refused he was put out, and kept out until he signed an article to produce.

During the old log schoolhouse days a bushel or two of apples and maybe a jug of cider, usually met the demand. But to get this it was often necessary to put the master out bodily, and occasionally there would be a regular scrimmage, but never any real fighting—or hardly ever.

Now and then the master would break away, and then there would be a wild chase, the whole school, like a pack of hounds, following and giving tongue to beat the band. If the master was strong and swift, and of good wind the chase might last for half a day.

Another plan was to lock the master out. This was accomplished by appointing some one to break in early in the morning and bar the door on the inside.

Naturally the master would endeavor, by threats, to scare those inside, or to buy them off; but these ruses rarely succeeded. Should the master not give in for a day or two then he would be tackled in earnest, carried to the nearest mill pond or swimming hole, and occasionally it went so far as to give him a taste of the real thing; but as a rule, he would capitulate when he saw the yawning hole in the ice.

As schoolhouses improved, changing from the unhewn to the hewn log, and then to the frame and brick, the character of the feast changed from apples and cider to pies and cakes, and later candy and nicknacks.

The schoolmistress proved to be something of a stamper, since it wouldn't look well to put her out, nor to duck her in the creek. But she disposed of this phase of trouble by surprising the school with a treat before being asked to do so.

In the earlier days the school didn't care so much for the cider and apples as for the fun of bringing the master to terms; and the master didn't care so much for the quarter or half dollar as for tiring the stuck of the boys.

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During the war Christmas didn't cut much of a figure, except some extra noise. Winter campaigns, as a rule, were not very active, although the battle of Stone River began the last day of December, '62. The Christmas preceding had been practically forgotten amidst hurried marching, moving of supplies, and getting ready for business.

The hospitals in Louisville, and further north, were still pretty well filled with the wounded from Perryville and those who had fallen sick from exposure during a winter campaign against Morgan.

In nearly all of the hospitals there was an extra set-up, but no attempts were made at display. Following is the entry found in a diary covering that period:

Hospital No. 11,
Louisville, Ky., Dec. 25, 1862.

A number of ladies living in this part of town, headed by Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Gardner, and the Misses Osborne, made up a fine dinner. At least it was fine for us. There wasn't turkey and chickens enough for all, so it was given to those who couldn't get out, and the rest of us took what was left, and it was a plenty. At night some one sneaked in a bottle or two, and some of the men had been in town, consequently there was a good deal of racket and noise, but on account of it being Christmas, Dr. Straw let it pass.

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The next Christmas was celebrated at Chattanooga. The battle of Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge had been fought a month previous, and Sherman's army had just returned from a hard march up to Strawberry Plain to assist in relieving Burnsides, who was in a peck of trouble at Knoxville.

For a month or two previous to the capture of Lookout Mountain, and the opening of a "cracker line" by way of the river, the army had been on mighty short rations, and even on Christmas day there wasn't any too much to eat or to wear. As for turkeys and nicknacks, there were none.

It was said that Hooker's men, Eleventh and Twelfth corps, which had just arrived from the eastern army, complained because they were not given butter to spread on their bread and because the quartermaster refused to issue teaspoons to use in serving their coffee. But this wasn't so—just a joke, because so many of the men wore white collars and had such good clothes. Following is the dairy entry for Christmas, 1863:

Things are getting into pretty good shape again, and the indications are that we will move from Stringer's Ridge to some more convenient camp.

Today Lieutenant Reece G. Lewis and I visited Lookout mountain. We had been in full view of it—almost within shooting distance—for a long time, but until recently it wasn't a healthy place to visit. Although we started early it was noon when we reached the top, it being a steep climb by way of the White house, and the stairway up the ledge. And cold, too—so much so that we didn't linger very long. From the high rock we could see objects in the states of Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia and North Carolina, and they say that with a field glass one can see into Mississippi and South Carolina.

On the way back we sighted a big tent with a turkey sign on it. When we got there we found that the price was $1 per, and that only for officers. But it not being the fashion to wear shoulder straps, or rather most of them had been worn out, the lieutenant swore himself in and took me along. We got a backbone between us, and a bare one it was, yet it was turkey, and good enough to blow about in camp, and make the other fellows hot.

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Christmas, '64, was one of the more notable. Sherman's army had invested Savannah, and taken Ft. McAllister. On Christmas morning another movement was to have been made, but Hardee evacuated the place during the night, and Sherman had the pleasure of presenting to President Lincoln the city of Savannah as a Christmas gift.

We had been living on rice mainly for some time, but it was inconvenient, as it is most mighty hard to hull. The first thing we did on getting into the city was to go for the big rice pins. There wasn't much Christmas talk in camp, all being too busy gathering brush to make beds high enough to keep us out of the mud. The photograph gallery was worked hard, and so was the one and only white collar in our company. The photographer kept it for the accommodation of others who wished to appear dressy.

The Lily Whites.

The "Lily White" Republicans of the south who are going over to the Democrats can easily be spared. They were, generally speaking, Republicans for revenue only.—Indianapolis Journal.

Early Warning.

Unless Chicago materially improves her street car facilities, delegates to the Republican convention will do a lot of swearing about stalling on the Chicago platform.—Washington Post.

Talked of in New York

GEORGE C. JENKS.

(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Sandwiched between the dress rehearsal yesterday and the regular production tomorrow, the musical atmosphere today breathes nothing but "Parsifal." Herr Conreid took the precaution to stipulate that nothing should be published about the performance yesterday so that the only public information is that it was smooth and impressive. There is no news in that. The impressiveness of the production was anticipated on the strength of the Bayreuth presentations, and that there would be smoothness at the Metropolitan opera house was guaranteed by the long and careful rehearsing under the supervision of masters in the various crafts which go to make up the ensemble.

The 300 persons who listened to the music and saw the stage action are properly mysterious. They intimate that there will be a treat for everyone when the curtain goes up on the first public presentation of Wagner's swan song in New York, but are loyally mum as to the details of the work as they enjoyed it yesterday. As is generally known, the immense auditorium will be packed when the curtain goes up tomorrow, for the subscriptions and advance sale of seats insures that, even without the window sale. People from many large and small cities and towns in different parts of the country are arriving in New York on every train, who will be there and among them are a number from Pittsburgh. C. W. Scovel, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ford and other well-known music-lovers of the Iron City are among those who will be there. They are in the city, and while they may have other business, it is fair to assume that the attracting of the "Parsifal" opening had much to do with their coming at this particular time.

Calls It "Bellow-Drama."

James Huneker, one of the ablest dramatic and music critics in the country, speaks of the "realistic" drama which is enjoying so much popularity in New York just now as "bellow-drama."

Dress Problem Hangs On.

Particular New Yorkers will not drop that dress problem which has been discussed so earnestly ever since it was known that the "Parsifal" performance tomorrow will begin at 5 o'clock in the afternoon and may not end until Friday morning. Herr Conreid says evening dress will be strictly good form, even though it will necessitate swallow-tails and white ties before the traditional hour for putting on those vanities, viz., 6 p. m. "But," objects that determined stickler for sartorial correctness, the well-dressed man, "it will be impossible to appear in public in evening dress at 5 o'clock and equally impossible to be seen on Friday morning in such attire, no matter how early in the day it may be." The only solution appears to be for the objector to go to the opening of the opera in the frock coat and gray trousers, change an hour later to the clawhammer, and at midnight make another change to the sack or cutaway suit for morning wear.

A Popular Improvement.

Among the many improvements contemplated by the Erie railroad, work on which will begin within a month, according to present plans, is one that will be exceedingly popular with everyone who ever has occasion to use the road. A bridge will be built across West street. The Pennsylvania railroad has had one for many years. Every other railroad with ferry houses along the roaring wilderness of West street has allowed its passengers to fight with the trucks and truck drivers at their own risk.

Did Not Know His Boss.

"Do you know anyone in Herald square named Straus?" asked a perplexed expressman this morning of a clerk in a big department store in that part of Broadway. The clerk did not know a Straus in Herald square. The expressman wandered about the square for half an hour until he happened to meet an old New Yorker who gives passing attention to affairs not strictly his personal business. He helped the expressman at once. "Straus? Well, yes. Nathan Straus is a famous New Yorker as you ought to know, not only as a merchant, but as a philanthropist, and he is at the head of that big department store concern over there," pointing to the place where the expressman had vainly questioned the clerk.

The expressman went over to the store, with the evident intention of saying something pointed to the clerk. The old resident smiled and shook his head, locked after the expressman, and he said: "That only shows how little we New Yorkers know of what is going on among our neighbors. Nathan Straus' name is known everywhere on account of his many did charities. He is the man who provided sterilized milk for the tenement babies at so many points in this city every summer, and I thought everyone knew that he was the principal owner and manager of that store. And yet, you see, even his own employes do not all know who is their boss. I wonder if that could happen anywhere but in New York."

Wrestling Too Slow for New York.

The comparatively small attendance at Madison Square garden last night to witness the championship wrestling bout between Jenkins and McLeod suggests that this form of sport is not over popular in New York. If it had been a boxing bout between two men on distinguished in their line as are Jenkins and McLeod, most likely everyone of the 7,000 seats in the garden would have been occupied, and there would have been a multitude of standees. New Yorkers like to see boxing. The constant movement, the quick sharp jabs, jolts and hooks, the flow of blood and the dramatic intensity of the whole program appeal powerfully to the sporting spirit, which is near the surface in the average staid business man of this city. There is always a large crowd to see a pugilistic "go."

Wrestling is too slow for the nervous New Yorker. He wants action for his money. It is possible the legislature will soon take a hit permitting public boxing in this state under certain restrictions. Such a bill comes up in every session. So far it has failed, but there is strong hope among its backers that this time it will go through.

Ill Wind for Steamships.

The Kron Prinz Wilhelm, which is expected to dock tomorrow morning, comes in with one propeller out of use. She, like all other ships crossing the Atlantic, has had a hard voyage. She was expected to arrive at this port this morning, but it is understood that she had to limp nearly all the way across. Launched two years ago, this is her first mishap of any account. The Hamburg-American steamer Blucher, which has just got in, had an experience, too. She was struck on the port bow by an unknown steamship in fog in the North sea, but will soon be on her way again. The Blucher brought nearly 1,000 passengers altogether, besides a very heavy cargo of Christmas merchandise. Christmas presents that came on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm will be delayed until after the holidays, from present indications.

Pittsburghers at the Hotels.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

Waldorf-Astoria.
J. B. Lindsey,
O. H. Irwin,
H. Harrington,
A. G. Nichols,
A. Dorin,
J. Dorin,
T. C. Dorin.

Hollan.
L. A. Osborn,
Mrs. Osborn,
C. B. Connelly.

Manhattan.
F. B. Laving,
C. Shoenfeld,
Mrs. W. R. Thompson,
Miss N. R. Thompson,
A. J. Watts,
N. H. Tritt.

Plaza.
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Vendome.
E. A. Ford,
Mrs. Ford.

Astor.
W. M. Scarborough,
F. P. Garvin.

Morton.
C. Pratt,
Mrs. Pratt.

St. Denis.
C. E. Flanders.

Hoffman.
J. H. McAnulla,
Mrs. McAnulla.

Imperial.
J. F. Kelley,
Mrs. Kelley,
C. W. Scovel.

Navarre.
T. S. Ashton,
Miss Ashton,
J. J. Nolan.

Park Avenue.
M. H. Wilson,
Mrs. Wilson.

Lincoln.
C. A. Steward.

Grosvenor.
H. M. Wharton.

Belvedere.
D. R. Boggs.

Westminster.
J. W. Kirkpatrick,
Wisdom Kirkpatrick.

Normandie.
W. N. Chaffee.

Senator Hoar's Affliction.

Senator Hoar is a good man who is afflicted occasionally with a sort of political strabismus.—Chicago Tribune.

The Nation's Capital.

L. W. STRAYER.

(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—When the holidays are over and congress again resumes its deliberations, the attention of the country will once more be directed to the treaty with the new republic of Panama by which the United States acquires the rights to construct the Panama canal. Again will the circumstances surrounding the negotiation of this treaty become the subject for discussion in the senate and it is fair to assume that the Democrats will evolve new charges against the president and his cabinet and invent new issues of opposition to heap upon the administration.

For a week before the adjournment of congress the minority members of the senate made it a part of the daily program to attack President Roosevelt, contradicting his statements, questioning his motives and denying his right to recognize the new republic. Now the question is whether the Republicans propose to continue on the defensive and permit the Democrats to make political capital out of the situation. There is every indication that they will not.

Will Stand by the President.

From hints dropped here and there and from statements made by leading Republicans it is believed that when congress again takes up this question, the Republicans will assume an aggressive attitude and will carry the war over on to the Democratic side.

Why shouldn't they? With the exception of Senator Hoar, the Republicans of the senate stand with the president in this matter and believe that he has pursued the proper course in recognizing the republic of Panama and refusing permission for the Colombians to wage a war on the isthmus that would likely destroy a part of the canal work that has already been accomplished and would prove a serious setback to the completion of the canal.

The reasonable course for the Republicans would be to push the subject to the front and insist upon the ratification of the canal treaty, allowing the Democrats to accept the responsibility for failure if it should fail. This is probably the course that will be adopted, and it is likely that they will go further and place upon the Democratic obstructionists the blame for any conflict of military forces that may take place. For it is certain that if the United States of Colombia should persist in its intransigeant attitude and refuse to negotiate in order to try to regain possession of Panama by war, the blame will lie, in a large extent, with the senators who by their speeches have given encouragement to the Colombians.

Responsibility for War.

Not that such encouragement was given intentionally, for it is not to be supposed that the most radical opponent of the administration would give aid and comfort to his country's enemy, but the effect would be the same. Press dispatches from Bogota state that the news that Senators Hoar and Gorman and others who have denounced President Roosevelt's course has been received with enthusiasm there and the impression has spread in that country that there is in the United States a large contingent that is in sympathy with the Colombians. Consequently if the present situation results in war, a good share of the responsibility for it must rest with the Democratic senators who have indirectly encouraged it.

If the Democrats should make a party issue of the ratification of the canal treaty and should be able to prevent a two-thirds majority in favor of it the Republicans will not be defeated by any means. They will have a card up their sleeves that will prove a trump, a card that has been played before under similar circumstances and that has proven effective. It is a resolution to be passed by the house and the senate directing the president to accept the canal concession on the terms offered by Panama. This would have the same effect as a treaty and it would require only a majority vote, which can easily be mustered. Since there is no defection from the Republican ranks on the Panama question except Senator Hoar. Instances have been cited where this procedure was adopted, notably when Hawaii was annexed and when Texas came into the Union. In the former case the senate refused to ratify the treaty annexing Hawaii and the joint resolution was resorted to. So that so far as results are concerned, the Republicans have nothing to fear, as the Panama canal is assured in spite of the opposition that has developed.

Important Feature Overlooked.

Minister Leishman has officially reported that the Alexandretta incident is closed and that Consul Davis is safe at his post of duty. It will be remembered that Mr. Davis collided with the Turkish authorities while protecting a naturalized American citizen and that he found it convenient to make a hurried visit to Beirut, where he remained until the trouble could be settled diplomatically. But he was not taken back to his post in an American warship and after his return the governor of the town called upon him and offered profuse apologies for the maltreatment that had been inflicted upon the officer, who, it is evident satisfactorily to Consul Davis, and this government, but leaves in doubt the most interesting question involved in the whole affair, which is, did Consul Davis, single-handed, whip five Turkish policemen during the fracas?

This statement was contained in the press dispatches, but has not been touched upon in the official correspondence, much to the disappointment of many of Mr. Davis' countrymen. It should not be suppressed, if true, for it would surely be considered grounds for promotion by President Roosevelt. The president, himself, the great exponent of strenuosity, would scarcely ignore qualifications of this kind in a representative of the United States, and an official verification of the report in question would no doubt be of advantage to Consul Davis. Five policemen in a bunch constitute a pretty tough proposition, even if they are Turks.

A Lesson in Architecture.

The French government evidently proposed to show this country something about architecture in the plot of ground it has purchased in the northwest section of this city as a site for a new French embassy. And it is announced that that government has given to M. Louis Bernier, an eminent Paris architect, the commission to prepare plans for the embassy. Mr. Bernier is a member of the French institute and it was he who built the Grand Consolate, hence it is supposed that the selection of him for this task means that the new embassy is to be a very pretentious building.

If this proves true and France builds a home here for its American representative that will shine as one of the bright examples of architecture, it may have a very good effect for Washington by instituting a rivalry among the foreign nations to possess the most embassy. At present the residences of the diplomats are generally leased houses with nothing about them to distinguish them from the other substantial homes of Washington except the coats of arms that hang above the doors. The residence of the ambassador from Great Britain is a large and substantial building with spacious grounds about it, but there is nothing distinctive in its architecture.

Many Ready to Help.

Representative Baker declares that if Mr. Rockefeller were to throw away a dollar a second, never stopping day or night, to count out dispose of his income, it would be years to do that, he can hire help and save working overtime.—Washington Post.

IT IS TO SMILE.

Every grin deplores a dog fight, and sets a lot of fun out of watching one.—Somerville Journal.

"She's running a correspondence school; teaches the secret of success."

"Just like a woman to tell secrets!"—Detroit Free Press.

"Well, Johnny, did you have a good time at the children's party?"

"Yes, but I was sick for nearly a week."—Chicago Record-Herald.

"What made your wife get rid of the parrot, that? It was beginning to talk nicely, I thought."

"That was it. It was a toss-up between her leaving and the bird. The wife won."—Judy.

"At last, my angel," said the happy man to the new cashier after he had settled with the latter, "we are really and truly one—on 'change."

Theoretically, that recital was thrilling, but, coming from a practical standpoint, it will be advisable to continue ordering coffee for two.—Judge.

The Death Roll.

Mrs. Ellen Carson.

When just about to celebrate her 76th birthday, Mrs. Ellen Carson died yesterday morning at her residence, No. 1707 Bryan street, Allegheny. Mrs. Carson was born in Belfast, Ireland, but the exact date of her birth is not known by her surviving relatives and she was loth to talk of her age while she lived. Until a few weeks ago she was active and "the end of her long life was peaceful. Mrs. Carson's marriage did not result in changing her name, for maiden name being Carson. One of her daughters repeated her mother's experience when she too married a man named Carson, but who was to no way related. Thirteen children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Carson, nine of whom still live, and all but two being married. She now has 40 grandchildren. The Carsons came to Allegheny upon their arrival in this country and remained there until about 30 years ago, when they removed to Benevue. Mr. Carson died at the age of 50 about five years after the family moved to Bellevue, and shortly after his death Mrs. Carson returned to her late home in Allegheny. Mrs. Carson was educated in a seminary in Belfast and came of one of the old aristocratic Scotch-Irish families. She was a devout member of the First United Presbyterian church of Allegheny and a grandson, the Rev. William A. Hunter, is a minister of that denomination. The funeral services will be held on Christmas afternoon at 2 o'clock at her late residence. Mrs. Carson was the mother-in-law of Col. James Andrews, the civil engineer who built the famous Eads jetties at the mouth of the Mississippi river.

Clark T. X. Jones.

Clark T. X. Jones, aged 45, died yesterday morning at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. James Kennedy, at No. 6311 McPherson street, of septic poisoning, which resulted from lancing a carbuncle. The deceased, during the greater part of his life, was connected with the Pittsburgh transfer of the Pennsylvania railroad at Wall station. He was born in Allegheny in 1858 and received his schooling at St. Michael's seminary, Glenwood, and St. Francis college, Loretto. His wife, who was Miss Mary Kennedy, died eight months ago. He is survived by four sisters and two brothers. The funeral services will be held at Holy Rosary church, Homewood, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Edway Z. Wainwright Buried.

The remains of Edway Z. Wainwright were buried in Allegheny cemetery yesterday afternoon, after funeral services were held at his late home, No. 6705 Rippey street, East End, at 2 o'clock. Blue lodge of the Masonic order had charge of the services, assisted by the Rev. T. J. Danner, pastor of St. John's Protestant Episcopal church. There were many beautiful floral pieces banked about the remains during the services and the funeral procession was an unusually large one.

Judge Pope Barrow.

Judge Pope Barrow, of the Georgia superior court, was seized with vertigo while trying a case in Chambers yesterday and fell into the arms of an attendant. Twelve he died. Judge Barrow descended from a colonial family and war in his 64th year. He was a member of the United States senate from 1852 to 1855. He helped frame the state constitution in 1861.

Hiram W. Beckwith.

Hiram W. Beckwith, a law partner of Abraham Lincoln from 1836 to 1841, is dead at St. Luke's hospital, Chicago, at the age of 72. His father was one of the pioneers of Illinois. Hiram Beckwith became one of Lincoln's closest personal friends. From 1857 to 1862 Mr. Beckwith was president of the State Historical society of Illinois.

Felicien Victor Paget.

Felicien Victor Paget, emeritus professor of Romanic languages and literature in the University of California, died yesterday at Berkeley, Cal., of apoplexy, aged 70 years. He was a native of France, a graduate of the University of Paris, and for 16 years a member of the University of California faculty.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. Rebecca Bergman died yesterday at the home of her granddaughter in Scott township, aged 75 years.

Erik Pitzen, manager and proprietor of a well-known telegraph agency, died yesterday at Copenhagen, Denmark.

Moses Scandrel, who was a few years ago one of the leading business men of Northwestern Pennsylvania, is dead at the Curry hospital, aged 78 years.

Mrs. Catherine Distler, aged 60 years, died yesterday at the home of George Zimmerman, over Butler. For many years she was well-known on the Butler road.

George Sykes, a woolen manufacturer, died yesterday at Rockwell, Conn., aged 85. In 1899 he was vice president of the National Association of Wool manufacturers.

Henry L. Burnham of Elkhorn, Ore., a wealthy citizen, died suddenly yesterday, aged 69 years. He was president of the Klamath's National bank and served during the war as captain of company G, Ore. Hundred and Seventy-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry.

PERSONALS

The Rev. Dr. George N. Chalfant, a well-known Presbyterian minister of this city, arrived home yesterday from St. Louis, to spend the Christmas holidays with his family. Dr. Chalfant is temporarily in charge of the Christ Memorial Presbyterian church in St. Louis, and will return to his charge tomorrow night.

H. J. Summerville of Connellsville was in the city yesterday on business. Speaking of the coal trade, he said: "It

WABASH MAKES CITY NEW OFFER

Other Roads May Use Its Main Line in Return for Wharf Franchise.

CALL REFUSED BY M'NEIL

The Wabash railroad has made a new offer to Pittsburgh councils. As a bid for the Duquesne way franchise the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western railroad, the local extension of the Wabash system, offers the joint use of its main line to other railroads that may wish to enter the city and also the use of its branches.

This offer is based on the condition that the city shall give the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western the right to use the elevated line along Duquesne way constructed by another company. By "another company" reference is made to the Pennsylvania railroad, which is also applying for a franchise along Duquesne way.

The above offer was made yesterday to the members of both branches of councils. A communication was sent to every councilman, setting forth certain amendments which the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western company will propose to its ordinances now pending in committees of councils. The communication is signed by J. W. Patterson, president.

President Patterson has also written a letter to Dr. George W. McNeil, chairman of the joint corporations committee of councils, asking him to call a meeting of the committee at the earliest date possible for the purpose of taking prompt action on the Wabash's latest proposal. Chairman McNeil stated last night that he had received the communication from President Patterson, but he declared that he did not intend to pay any attention to it.

McNeil's Strange Position.

"I will call a meeting of the corporations' committee when I get ready to, and there will not be a meeting until I call one," said Chairman McNeil. "I understand who is back of this scheme and I am in no hurry to call a meeting. Such things have no effect upon me. I have not even taken the trouble to read the communication enclosed in the letter sent me."

When Chairman McNeil was told that the Wabash agreed to give the joint use of its main line to other roads wishing to enter the city, he replied: "Oh, the Wabash is getting awful liberal, isn't it? You may say that I have no intention of calling a meeting of the committee very soon."

Chairman McNeil failed to give any explanation for refusing to call a meeting, but repeated that he did not intend to reply to the communication of President Patterson.

Wabash officials say that their offer, if accepted by the city, will permit any road to get in the city, but if the offer is rejected and the Pennsylvania company is given the exclusive use of a line along Duquesne way every other road will be shut out of the city for all time to come.

Erie Road May Come In.

It is stated by the Wabash that the Erie system, known as the New York, Lake Erie & Western railroad, may wish to come into Pittsburgh if an opportunity, such as the Wabash proposes, is offered. It was stated some months ago that the Erie company had purchased a large block of property between Forbes street and Second avenue, along Fountain street, for use as a terminal.

The communication sent by President Patterson to the members of councils is as follows:

Dear Sir: There have been pending for some time past two ordinances, identical in provisions, the one in committees committee of select council and the other in the general corporation committee of both branches, authorizing the construction by the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western Railroad Company of a branch along Duquesne way to a point of connection with the Pittsburgh Junction railroad. Neither of these ordinances have been reported to councils.

It is proposed to offer two amendments to the ordinance while still in committee.

First—Providing, if the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western Railroad Company is authorized to use an elevated railroad along Duquesne way, constructed by another company, it will have the right to construct extensions and switches to such an elevated railroad to enable it to connect with the Pittsburgh Junction railroad and manufacturing establishments along the elevated railroad.

Second—Subjecting the main tracks and branches of the Pittsburgh, Carnegie & Western Railroad Company to joint use by other railroads entering the city. Both amendments are to contain the conditions as to compensation, etc., now contained in section 8 of the pending ordinance.

Joint Use Advocated.

By these amendments the tracks and branches of this company will be subjected to such joint use by any railroad company authorized by councils to construct and operate a railroad in the city of Pittsburgh as will assure the merchants and manufacturers, interested in the use and entrance of additional railroads, benefit of competition, greater terminal facilities, better freight deliveries, less obstruction of public streets, etc., and all without interference with or obstruction to any other railroad company independently constructing and operating a branch similar to the branch authorized by the pending ordinance, to be constructed and operated by this company. That the public desire the ordinance to be passed and requires the additional railroad facilities afforded by the proposed branch will be proved to you from time to time until the ordinance is passed.

You are therefore earnestly requested to attend all meetings of committees and councils at which the necessary action may be had and to vote for the passage and approval of the ordinance of this company to construct and operate an elevated railroad between Fourth street and a point of connection with the Pittsburgh Junction railroad, notwithstanding any ordinance not providing for joint use by all railroads of the proposed elevated railroad on Duquesne way.

SUGGESTION MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AS USUAL

Allegheny Republicans Discourage Abolishing Old Custom at Meeting Held Last Night.

The executive committee of the Second ward Republican organization of Allegheny met last night in headquarters, in Diamond street, to decide the question of whether or not there should be a suggestion meeting held in the ward. January 4 is the date set for suggestion meetings in all wards in the city, but it was thought that in several of the wards these meetings would not be necessary. It was suggested that the committee in several wards go into caucus and name the candidates for ward officers and school directors, but the action of the Second ward last night gave this project a setback. It seems to be the general opinion that the old custom of holding suggestion meetings should not be abolished.

Under a rule recently adopted by the executive board of the city committee, all candidates for offices will be required by secretary of the ward committee 10 days before the date of the primaries. These will be held in Allegheny on January 18.

Second ward last night will be accepted as a precedent for action taken by the city, and that suggestion meetings will be held as usual.

Free-for-All Fight on Car.

Epsey Thompson, an employe of the Westinghouse works, objected to sitting in the dark while riding in a street car from Sewickley along the Pittsburgh & Wilkinsburg route last evening, used language that stirred up a free-for-all fight among his friends and several conductor's [illegible] was chased by a constable, locked up and finally fined $12.30.

MANY POINTS

Covered by Pennsylvania Lines Holiday Excursion Tickets.

This year's arrangement providing for the sale of excursion tickets via Pennsylvania lines, to practically all points in many south to Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Tickets may be obtained at reduced fares December 24, 25 and 31, 1903, and January 1, 1904, to Cleveland, Chicago, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Louisville, Cincinnati, Columbus and to intermediate cities and towns.

Additional Train Service Between Pittsburgh and Points on South-West Branch, Pennsylvania Railroad.

Leaving Uniontown, Scottdale, Connellsville, etc., on Sundays, arriving at Pittsburgh at 10:20 a. m. Returning, leave Pittsburgh at 4:55 p. m.

Defies Death in a Bullet Proof Vest

Allowing himself to be made a target for bullets fired from revolvers belonging to members of the Pittsburgh bureau of detectives was the remarkable exhibition witnessed at Central police station by the head of the detective and police departments yesterday. Frank C. Smith was the human target, and during the exhibition he wore a bullet-proof vest, which balls from a 38-caliber revolver owned by Detective William Elmore and a 32-caliber revolver Smith & Wesson, revolver failed to penetrate.

The experiment was conducted before Superintendent Thomas A. McGuaide and Acting Superintendent of Police Bernard McStay. The balls were fired from the revolvers by Miss Winona, an expert rifle and revolver shot. Miss Winona fired at her human target at a distance of 25 feet, but balls from neither revolver made an impression, each one flattening itself and falling to the floor after striking the vest.

The bullet-proof vest is the invention of the Rev. Frank Casimir Zeglen, pastor of the North Side Polish Catholic church of Chicago. The priest has made vests similar to the one used in the test yesterday for the czar of Russia and members of the nobility. Smith was formerly sheriff of Tulare county, Cal.

IMPATIENCE LED WOMAN TO SUICIDE

Took Carbolic Acid Because Her Husband's Friend Stayed Too Long.

DROWNED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

Becoming impatient because a friend of her husband remained in their room longer than she believed necessary, Mrs. Bessie Schwartz killed herself by drinking carbolic acid just outside the door of her room yesterday morning. With her husband, to whom she was recently married in Youngstown, O., she lived in a furnished room at the home of Mrs. Mary King, 1542 Wylie avenue. After drinking the poison Mrs. Schwartz rushed into the room, where her husband and friend were, and told them what she had done and asked for something to allay her suffering.

Before anything could be gotten for her Mrs. Schwartz threw herself on the bed and writhed in agony. A physician was summoned and ordered her removed to the Passavant hospital, where she died at 2:10 a. m. Her body was removed to the morgue, where it was identified last night by the woman's father, George Ackworth, an engineer of Youngstown. Ackworth said he had not seen his daughter since her mother died two years ago. He said his daughter, who was 20 years old and the youngest child of the family, had been educated at three colleges and for some time had been employed as a bookkeeper. Funeral services will be held over the remains at the morgue today. The interment will be at Youngstown. The body was prepared for burial last night on request of Mrs. Schwartz's father.

Objected to His Friend.

Schwartz, it is alleged, took the man home with him in order to attend to his friend's sore finger. The friend had a bottle of carbolic acid and was using a portion of it to wash the finger. The bottle, containing about an ounce of the acid, was left standing near the room door. Mrs. Schwartz had been sitting with Mrs. King's family till her husband's friend left. About 11 o'clock Tuesday night she went to her room, and, putting on her hat and coat, said she was going out. On her way out Mrs. Schwartz picked up the bottle of acid, and, passing into the hall, drank the poison and then informed her husband of what she had done.

Found drowned on his birthday was the fate of Gustave Anderson, 5212 Keus alley. He was a widower, 78 years old, and lived with his son, John, who is a cripple.

Said Father Killed Himself.

Young Anderson said last night that he believed his father had committed suicide by deliberately walking into the Allegheny river. He went out for a walk at 1 o'clock yesterday morning and two hours later was seen standing at Butler and Fifty-second street. He was not seen again until his body was found under the ice at the head of a coal float at Thirty-first street about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. His body was identified last night by a friend. The old man will be buried on Christmas day from A. C. Byrne's undertaking rooms in Butler street.

Killed on Railroad.

Fortunati Forri was hit by a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train at Bessemer station last night and instantly killed. The remains were taken to McKeesport. Forri had a bank book showing a balance of $160 at a foreign bank, at 607 Wylie avenue, Pittsburgh.

While standing on the eastbound track of the West Penn railroad at Creighton station yesterday waiting for a freight to pass, Michael Wloudyskroo, aged 50, a glassworker, was struck by a fast passenger train and killed. He lived with his wife and three children at Creighton.

Two Lovers Dueled to Death.

NEOSHO, MO., Dec. 23.—Cooper Lauderdale and Vest Collins, rivals in a love affair, met at a dance here and engaged in a pistol duel, in which both men were killed. The girl, whom they both loved devoted Lauderdale, who escorted her to the dance. Collins insisted on escorting her home and the shooting resulted.

Wedded at Cumberland.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Marriage licenses were issued here today to Walter Herb Stoner, Connellsville, Pa., and Bridget Maloy, Connellsville; Miles David Kuhn and Mollie West, both of Uniontown, Pa.

SMALL MISHAPS WERE NUMEROUS HEREABOUT

Many Persons Hurt in Various Ways in and Around the City Yesterday—Victims of Cars and Trains.

Two small girls were struck by street cars yesterday morning at the intersection of Penn avenue and Main street, the accidents occurring within a half hour of each other. Elizabeth Huber, 7 years old, of 4624 Friendship avenue, was struck by a Bloomfield car, westbound, and the shock produced concussion of the brain. She was carried into Dr. G. R. Coates' office, and later taken to the West Penn hospital. Beulah Kennedy, 5 years old, of 4120 Main street, was struck by a Frankstown avenue car and sustained numerous cuts and bruises.

Shortly after being welcomed home from Mercy hospital, where he had been confined for nearly a month with injuries received while at work at the McClintic-Marshall construction plant at Rankin, the family of James Manning of Sixteenth avenue, Munhall, was again frustrated by John Manning, a son of the family, being carried into the house with his right leg badly crushed. The young man was working in the McClintic-Marshall plant yesterday, when a steel beam fell on his leg and crushed it.

George Herbel, who had his right leg crushed while at work a week ago at the Homestead steel works, yesterday had the injured leg amputated at Mercy hospital.

Michael Flannery, a stone mason employed on the new St. Paul's cathedral in Ballfield, yesterday fell about 25 feet, breaking both legs and dislocating his right wrist. He was removed to his home, 6 Boundary street.

Charles Moyer of 518 Atwood street, Oakland, fell from a car at Forbes and Atwood streets yesterday morning, and broke his right wrist.

While helping to raise a pile of pipe with a crane at the Pittsburgh Valve, Foundry and Construction plant, in Smithfield street, yesterday, the crane chain broke and the pipe fell on Peter Burtenfel, fracturing his right leg. He was removed to the Homeopathic hospital. Burtenfel's home is at 206 Pacific avenue, East End.

Clarence Woolheater, aged 25, of Munhall, had his arm crushed between buggies at the Homestead steel works yesterday. It is feared his arm will have to be amputated.

Henry Boocher of 28 Ella street, Bloomfield, had his right wrist broken by being knocked into the gutter in Main street, Lawrenceville, yesterday. While walking on the sidewalk he encountered two drunken men going in the opposite direction and one of them fell against Boocher, causing the accident.

George Rose of West Park, McKees Rocks, had his left hand cut off while superintending the shearing of steel at the Schoen steel car plant in Schoenville, yesterday morning.

CHICAGO MAN APPOINTED ASSISTANT TO CORTELYOU

Lawrence O. Murray Gets a Place in Department of Commerce and Labor.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Lawrence O. Murray, of Chicago, has been chosen assistant secretary of commerce and labor. The selection was announced today by the president, who stated that the office had been tendered to and accepted by Mr. Murray and that the nomination would be sent to the senate immediately after the holiday recess. The appointment is made on the personal recommendation of Secretary Cortelyou, who has known Mr. Murray for a number of years.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Lawrence O. Murray is secretary and trust officer of a trust company here of this city. He was born in Addison, N. Y., in 1864, graduated at Niagara University, and studied law in New York city, being graduated to the bar in 1893. He was at one time private secretary to an assistant secretary of the treasury and later deputy comptroller of the currency, resigning after three years to enter upon his present position.

Speaking of his appointment, Mr. Murray said: "I have accepted the position, but have not yet been advised when I am expected to begin my new duties."

Trust Company Resumes Business.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—The Union Trust Company which went into the hands of a receiver on October 16, opened its doors today and resumed business. Receiver Miles White, Jr., having been discharged by order of the court at the request of all the interested parties. The managers announced that the company is in a position to promptly meet its obligations and pay all depositors.

W. & J. Trustees' Annual Meeting.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The board of trustees of Washington and Jefferson college held their annual meeting yesterday, 12 members being in attendance. The work of the past term was reviewed and Dr. Moffat commended all that had been done. Many new departures were outlined for the ensuing year. College will close tomorrow for the annual two weeks' vacation.

Gen. Bates is in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—Gen. John C. Bates, commanding the newly established northern division of the United States army, arrived from Chicago today to arrange for his headquarters. It is not known definitely when Gen. Bates will return to Chicago to complete arrangements for moving his headquarters to St. Louis.

GREAT PLANT CLOSED.

Operations at the Illinois Steel Company's Work Suspended Indefinitely.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The entire plant of the Illinois Steel Company, at South Chicago, was closed down tonight for an indefinite period, throwing 8,500 men out of employment. No notice was posted of when work would be resumed in the great mills, but at the offices of the company it was said that the shutdown would last for at least three weeks.

When the mills are reopened, it is reported that a wage cut of from 10 to 15 per cent will be put into force. Already some of the steel workers are talking of leaving for the east.

Mrs. Knox Goes to Valley Forge.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Mrs. P. C. Knox and her family left for their country place, Valley Forge, Pa., this morning to spend the holidays.

TOO MUCH GOLD

If you are displaying more gold in your teeth than you prefer, we can remedy same for you at small cost. Consult us about it, no charge.

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VAUDEVILLE MANAGERS WANT TO HAVE PEACE

Conference to Be Held at Cleveland Today and Understanding Is Expected.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—Vaudeville managers, representing 40 of the large vaudeville houses in the country, will meet in Cleveland tomorrow and the result of the conference may be a mutual understanding on the part of few great interests, which at present practically control the vaudeville field throughout this end of the country. About 10 or 12 managers, representing the Orpheum circuit, the Kohl & Castle circuit, the Murdock & Hopkins circuit and the Eastern Managers' association, will be in attendance, and judging from present appearances, the result of the conference will be an agreement to arrange plans whereby all will work harmoniously.

The present meeting is the outcome of the acquisition on the part of Managers Shea & Burke of the Eastern Managers' association recently of a Chicago vaudeville theater. This movement, it was claimed, was merely a means of defense from a similar invasion planned by western and eastern managers.

The meeting was called by representatives of western institutes, and it is believed that beyond a doubt the difficulties which culminated in the eastern managers securing a theater at Chicago will all be straightened out, so that henceforth there will be peace.

McClellan Names Commissioner.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Mayor-elect McClellan tonight announced the appointments of former Assistant Secretary of the Navy William McAdoo as police commissioner, Maurice Featherstone as dock commissioner and John C. Hertle and William Harman Black as commissioners of accounts.

W. M. Laird Co.

Slipper Sale Extraordinary

Special closing out sale of all Men's, Women's and Children's Holiday Slippers—

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DEATHS.

BAMBACH—On Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, GOTTLIEB BAMBACH, in his 64th year.

Funeral services at his late residence, No. 142 Forty-second street, Saturday afternoon. Hour will be announced later.

CARSON—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, at 5:10 a. m., ELLEN, widow of James Carson, in her 80th year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 1207 Boyle street, Allegheny, on Friday, December 25, at 2 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

GORDON—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 10:25 p. m., at the family residence, Montrose station, West Penn railroad, MRS. ISABELLA GORDON, in her 64th year, beloved mother of D. Gordon, Jr., in her 24th year.

Funeral services today at 1 p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Train leaves Cheswick Street station, West Penn railroad, at 11:30 a. m.

HAMMOND—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, at 5 p. m., ELEANOR MAE, infant daughter of Harry Hammond.

Funeral services at the parents' residence, 721 Taylor avenue, this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

HAMILTON—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. F. Bay, West Newton, Pa., after an illness of several months, MISS JULIA HAMILTON.

Funeral on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

HERRON—On Monday, December 21, 1903, at 9:30 p. m., LOUISE JEANNETTE, widow of Col. William A. Herron, in her 52d year.

Funeral services at her late residence, 4857 Fifth avenue, on Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Interment private.

HORNBAKE—On Monday, December 21, 1903, at 9:30 p. m., LOTTIE IRENE BERTAFOLT, daughter of Albert and Mathilda Bertafolt and wife of George S. Hornbake, Jr., aged 21 years.

Funeral from the residence of her parents, 4601 Center avenue, corner Craig street, this morning at 9 o'clock. Solemn high mass of requiem at Church of the Epiphany, Washington street, at 10 o'clock. Interment private.

JONES—At the residence of his mother-in-law, Mrs. James Kennedy, 6622 McPherson street, East End, on Wednesday morning, at 5 o'clock, CLARK T. JONES, aged 46 years.

Funeral services at Holy Rosary church, Kelly street, East End, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

KAPER—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 9:15 p. m., SALOMA GERTRUDE, youngest daughter of Jacob and Clara B. Kaper, aged 6 years and 4 months.

Funeral from her parents' residence, 3113 Perrysville avenue, Allegheny City, on Friday, December 25, 1903, at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

LOCKHART—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 11:15 o'clock p. m., JOHN LOCKHART.

Funeral services at his late residence, 243 Forty-second street, on Saturday, December 26, at 2:30 p. m. Interment private.

MATTHEWS—On Monday, December 21, 1903, at 9:10 a. m., of typhoid fever, at Mercy hospital, CYRUS W. MATTHEWS of Logan's Ferry, Pa., aged 22 years.

[Columbus (O.) papers please copy.]

M'GREEVY—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, at 10:55 p. m., D. L. M'GREEVY, aged 45 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 909 East Ohio street, Allegheny, Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Requiem high mass at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Friends of the family and members of Branch 640, C. B. L., are respectfully invited to attend.

MILLER—On Wednesday, December 23, 1903, WILLIAM MCHAFFEY, infant son of W. and Anna Brosh Miller, aged 9 months and 27 days.

Funeral services at the family residence, Stewart Station, Pa., Friday, December 25, at 10 a. m.

NEVILLE—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 1 a. m., MARGARET NEVILLE, aged 53 years.

Funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. James Gorman, 3417 Penny street, on Saturday, December 26, at 8:30 a. m., thence to high mass at St. John's church, Thirty-sixth and Liberty avenue, at 9 a. m. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

TRACY—On Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 4 p. m., at the family residence, No. 208 Darragh street, JAMES R. TRACY, aged 40 years.

Funeral services at St. Mary's of Mercy church, Forty-second and Perry street, on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Please omit flowers.

WALKER—Suddenly, on Tuesday, December 22, 1903, at 7:30 p. m., WILLIAM F. WALKER, aged 37 years, an employe of the Pratt Coal Company, Wilkinsburg.

Funeral from the office of T. D. Turner, No. 720 Penn avenue, Wilkinsburg, today at 3 p. m. Interment at Homewood cemetery.

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One Man Killed and 16 Others Hurt in Smash-Up in Alabama.

MORRIS, ALA., Dec. 23.—The second section of through train No. 2 of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, running one hour and 15 minutes late, collided head on with the Decatur accommodation train, one-quarter of a mile south of here, this afternoon.

Henry Allen, a colored mail clerk, was killed; Hollis Wright, white, engineer, of the Louisville & Nashville, was fatally hurt and some 15 others were slightly injured.

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Persian Jackets—	$ 75 to $150 to $250
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SECOND WIFE WAS HEARD IN COURT

Pleaded for Mercy for Man Convicted With Bigamy.

FIRST WIFE WAS THERE TOO

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Press Building,
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 23.

Developments in the case of W. H. McClure, tried today on the charge of bigamy, took on such a serious aspect that Judge VonMoschzisker deferred final action. From testimony it appeared that McClure married Mary J. Wolf November 29, 1886, lived with her three years, and in August of this year, without securing a divorce from this woman, married Amelia Claus, a widow, who is the proprietress of a flower store at Eleventh street and Allegheny avenue.

Amelia Claus testified that when she married McClure she was a widow, but at the present time she did not know whether she was married or single.

Taking the stand himself, the defendant admitted that he had married both women, but offered mitigating circumstances. He said he had frequently applied for a divorce from Mrs. Wolf.

The witness declared that he told Mrs. Wolf that he desired to marry another, and that the woman told him that divorce was unnecessary, as when she married him she was already the wife of Harry Heinz. In charging the jury, Judge VonMoschzisker said that the act of 1883 provides that a person is guilty of two marriage ceremonies without legal separation in the first one, constitutes bigamy. He said that this was the first case to be tried under that act.

When the verdict had been announced, Mrs. Wolf was directed to take the stand. Replying to Judge VonMoschzisker's question, she admitted that Heinz had boarded at her house at Trenton, but denied any nearer relations with him.

When Mrs. Wolf left the stand Judge VonMoschzisker asked her if she did not have two children by Heinz, who were now living in Trenton. Mrs. Wolfe's reply was a feeble "No." It was then that Mrs. Claus asked mercy for the defendant. She said that he had treated her kindly during the brief time they had lived together, and that she did not want to see him go to prison. The jury found the defendant guilty without leaving the box, and after additional testimony was heard he was returned to the county prison to await the court's further action.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

CLOSING TIME OF THE MAILS AT PITTSBURGH POSTOFFICE

New York—2:30, 6:30, 7:30, 11:30 a. m.; 4:10, 6:00, 9:30 p. m.
Philadelphia—2:30, 6:30, 7:30, 11:30 a. m.; 4:10, 6:00, 9:30 p. m.
Baltimore—2:30, 6:30, 7:30 a. m.; 12:45, 6:00, 8:00, 9:30 p. m.
Atlantic City—2:30, 7:30, 11:30 a. m.; 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 9:30 p. m.
Buffalo—7:30, 8:30 a. m.; 3:00, 6:30, 10:15, 11:30 p. m.
Cleveland—8:30, 7:30, 8:30 a. m.; 3:00, 6:30, 11:30 p. m.
Cincinnati—1:00, 8:10, 8:30, 11:30 a. m.; 12:00, 7:45, 8:30 p. m.
Chicago—7:30, 8:30, 11:30 a. m.; 7:30, 8:45 p. m.
St. Louis—1:30, 5:10, 11:30 a. m.; 8:45 p. m.
St. Paul—8:30, 8:30, 11:30 a. m.; 7:30, 8:45 p. m.
San Francisco—8:30, 8:30, 11:30 a. m.; 7:30, 8:45 p. m.
Denver—1:30, 8:30, 11:30 a. m.; 7:30, 8:45 p. m.
Boston—2:30, 7:30 a. m.; 4:10, 6:30, 8:30, 9:30 p. m.

Broken Flange Caused Wreck.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—A broken flange on a wheel caused the derailment of seven cars, four of which were wrecked at Austin, Garrett county on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad today.

HAD LAID PLOT TO KILL OFFICER

One of the Chicago Car Barn Murderers Makes Another Confession.

PLANNED TO BLOW UP PRISON

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Harvey Van Dine, one of the quartet of car barn bandits in the county jail awaiting trial for seven murders, has confessed to a plot by which it was planned to kill Assistant Chief of Police Shuettler. He has admitted that immediately after the arrest of Gustav Marx, whose confessions led to the capture of the gang, he rented a room overlooking the Sheffield avenue police station, with the plan of assassinating Assistant Chief Shuettler and attempting a rescue of Marx.

In this room, in the building just north of the station and on the southwest corner of Sheffield avenue and Diversity boulevard, Peter Niedemeier, on whose head alone the police are endeavoring to fix four murders, watched the station, preparing to kill Shuettler, to use dynamite on the station and then shoot down any one who tried to interfere with the rescue of Marx.

This development was but one of many that came in rapid succession today. Word came from Pueblo, Col., that Peter Niedemeier and an unknown companion are wanted there for a double murder committed last month. Investigation by the police here already has shown that Niedemeier and a companion were in Cripple Creek, Col., just before the Pueblo double murder in which Dr. J. H. Turner and C. E. Bishop, prominent citizens of the latter place, were shot to death in an attempted holdup.

Immediately after Marx' arrest, following his shooting down of Detective John J. Quinn, a man applied for a room in the third flat. He wanted a room looking out on the alley. He got the room, and from its window he could see directly into the office of Shuettler. From this window he and Niedemeier saw Marx every time he was led into the office and put through the questions of the sweatbox which finally brought his confessions.

Armed with magazine guns, the two bandits were ready to shoot down the assistant chief when the time for a rush on the station should be ripe. Only the fact that Shuettler's desk was not in line with the window, Vandine now admits, saved his life. They could not "get a bead" on him, as his desk was to one side of the station window.

GUESTS WERE AGED 75.

Ex-Mayor Kelly of Springfield O., Entertains 121 Old Veterans.

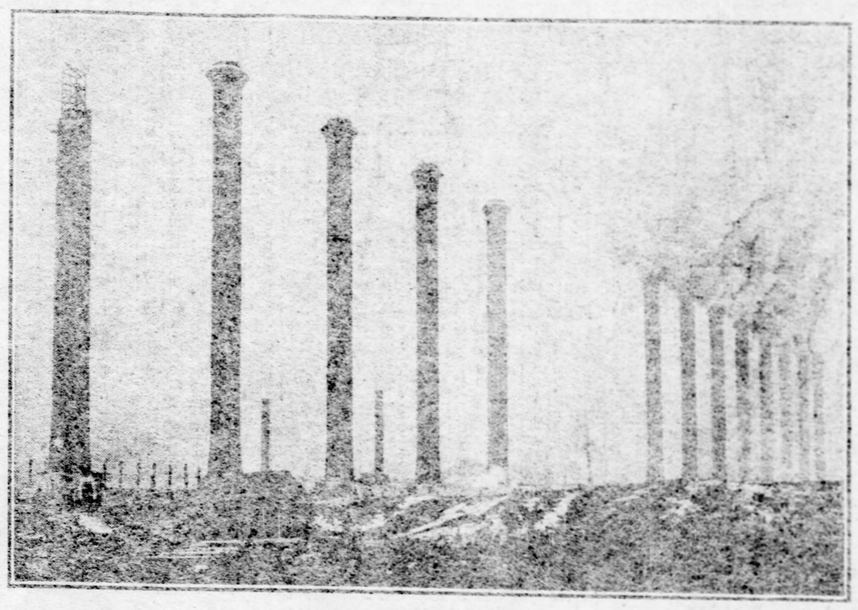
SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 23. — Ex-Mayor C. S. Kelly celebrated his 79th birthday here tonight by giving a dinner to 121 of his old-time friends, all over 75 years old. They were from this city and vicinity.

The host was at the head of the table. All the speeches were upon pioneer times, were reported stenographically, and will be preserved and published.

Riot Murderer is Sentenced.

MONTPELIER, VT., Dec. 23.—Alexander Garretio, who had been on trial in the Washington county court for nearly a week, charged with the murder of Eli Corol at a riot between anarchists and socialists at Barre, on the night of October 5, last, was today found guilty of manslaughter and was sentenced to not less than 10 nor more than 12 years in the state prison.

New Columns to Coke Monuments



Another platoon is being added to the great smoke stacks which stand guard over the Jones & Laughlin coke ovens in Hazelwood. The eight black columns that belched smoke and cinders long attracted attention in that neighborhood, and the addition of five more stretches over a row more than a quarter of a mile in length. The stacks are built of great strength and withstand the wildest gales of winter. They are unique among Pittsburgh industrial monuments.

TRAIL OF BLOOD AROUND WORLD

Sailor Condemned to Electric Chair Acknowledges Nine Murders.

HE WANTS TO DIE QUICKLY

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.

Do I believe in the law and punishment for crime? I answered that when I confessed the murder of Capt. Thompson. I told the district attorney I wanted to facilitate the law. It was made for such men as me. I have killed nine men, and it is up to me to pay the penalty. I am ready to die, and I want to die quickly.—Statement by Frank Henry Burness, confessed murderer, who says he was born in Butler, Pa.

Smoking a cigarette, the sinewy sailorman chatted unconcernedly today of his approaching execution.

"I certainly want to be executed—the quicker the better," he said. "The chair is the best way in the world to put men like me out of existence. They strap you in a chair, clap an electrode on your head, touch a button and it's all off. I deserve to die. I have taken men's lives unlawfully and the law says I must pay the penalty. What does a sailorman care for life? It's only a hand-to-mouth existence. I've fought and drunk in every port in the world. I've had my fling. Now I am ready to quit a life that does not hold out much comfort for me.

"I am not vicious nor a murderer at heart. I never killed a man deliberately until I shot Capt. Thompson. In every other case it was my life or that of the man I slew. That's why I have no remorse.

"Did I ever kill a man while I was perfectly sober? Yes; Capt. Thompson. I was sober that day, and that is the only murder I regret. I killed six men while I was fighting drunk.

"I guess I would not have left a trail of blood around the world if I had left drink alone. But you know the ways of sailormen.

"What would I do if the judge gave me life imprisonment? Suicide. I have spent 15 years in prison. It was a horrible torture. Yes, I believe in a hereafter in a theoretical way. I have a vague idea there is a soul migration. Something in us will never die, but I have not given those things much thought. I told the Bible had no significance to me because I felt that way. I had little religious training, and what I had I forgot. The Bible has not been a factor in my life. Why should I have gone through the hypocrisy of swearing on it?

"I haven't been a good citizen, but, as I said, I never did a mean act to any man until I killed Capt. Thompson. I have carried my life in my hand for years. I killed men only to keep them from killing me. The little gentleman who prosecuted me said I was an anarchist—a man who held himself above the law. He is mistaken. I have shown my regard for the law by making a clean breast of my crimes and offering no protest to avoid paying with my life for violating the law."

FRANK A. PARKER.

DYNAMITE PLACED ON RAILROAD TRACK

DERBY, CONN., Dec. 23.—(Special)—A large stick of dynamite was found on the track of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad three miles north of this city this morning, half an hour before the Pittsfield expresse passed on its way to New Haven. Coming so soon after the publication of the anonymous letter to the officials of the Consolidated, in which the threat was made to destroy with dynamite an Adams express train on the main line unless $5,000 was forthcoming, the news caused much excitement.

RECAPTURED JAIL BREAKERS ARE GIVEN HEAVY SENTENCE

MONTPELIER VT., Dec. 23.—Eugene Davis and Neal Knapp, the two men who, in company with Fred Colley, escaped from the Washington county jail several weeks ago, and were captured after a long chase, were today sentenced to not less than three nor more than three and one-half years' imprisonment on a charge of jail breaking. In addition both were given a term of not less than two nor more than two and one-half years for larceny.

Miner Crushed to Death.

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—William Wilson, aged 65 years, of Lonaconing, was crushed to death today by a fall of top coal in Appleton mine. He leaves two sons and a daughter.

PARIS BAKERS TRY RIOTING

Thousands of Strikers Paraded Streets of the French Capital.

POLICE AND SOLDIERS OUT

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The strike here of men employed in the various branches of food supply began to assume serious proportions today. The bakers assembled at the labor exchange and adopted resolutions favoring a strike throughout the baking trade, to begin today, declaring that a general strike is on. The numbers of the demonstration trade and announcing their intention not to resume work until parliament suppressed the municipal employment agencies. The indications are that a considerable number of butchers, grocers and pastry cooks will take part in the strike.

Anticipating demonstrations, the military and police have taken elaborate precautions. Large forces of Republican guards are held ready for action at the various barracks and many police are on duty around the exchange.

The bakers announce that two monster demonstrations have been planned. Many thousands of bakers paraded the streets. The meeting of bakers held at the labor exchange today was conducted in an orderly manner.

The city has taken on a martial appearance. Squadrons of mounted troops and police are stationed on the main squares and in the principal thoroughfares.

The bakers this afternoon attempted to make a manifestation in front of the Luxembourg palace, where the senate was sitting, but 500 mounted police took possession of the surrounding streets and the prefect of police, M. Lepine, personally conducted a rigid suppression of the disorder. Groups of persons above five in number were prevented from gathering and a number of arrests were made. The action of the police completely broke up the demonstration.

The proprietors of the bakeries say they have no fear of a bread famine, as many bakers are not participating in the strike movement.

The prompt action of the police prevented the embodying of manifestants on the place de L'Opera. Only scattered groups of strikers made their way to the place and there was no disorder. The determination of the police to prevent street demonstrations has had the effect of checking the strike and leads to the belief that it will not spread.

Two trifling demonstrations occurred this evening, but they were easily suppressed. The total arrests made during the day was 124, but many of those taken into custody were released.

MISS SCHWARTZ MOVED IN GOOD SOCIETY

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Miss Bessie Ackworth Schwartz, who committed suicide in Pittsburgh yesterday, was a daughter of George W. Ackworth, a well-known Pennsylvania railroad engineer. Her father married for the second time and she with her sisters moved in good society here. About two years ago she, with a girl employed in the family, suddenly left the house and the police were asked to look her up.

Traction Man Forced to Bankruptcy.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—As a sequel to the failure of the Worcester & Southbridge and Worcester, Rockdale & Charlton Depot Street Railways and allied concerns, several months ago, Frank D. Perry of Worcester, former treasurer and general manager of the roads, filed a petition in bankruptcy here today. Perry estimates his liabilities at $500,692 and his assets at $42,297. Banks in New York, Philadelphia and throughout New England are among the creditors.

PRISONERS CUT ICE FOR COUNTY

Those Sentenced to Workhouse Go on River—Work Under Guards.

OVER 500 TONS HARVESTED

Prisoners at the Allegheny county workhouse have had a diversion recently that comes only once a year. They have not been compelled to pound stone, the proverbial workhouse vocation, they have been too busy cutting ice. Those who were fortunate enough to be chosen for this work have accomplished much so far this winter. About 40 men have already been and stored over 500 tons from the Allegheny river.

Though surrounded by armed officers these loiterers like the job. They say it gives them a good appetite, besides, they say, they get a chance to take a "skate" occasionally. No horses, pulleys or sluiceways need to handle the ice; only ropes and tongs. The ice is cut in blocks, weighing little it is measured anywhere from 2 to 11 inches. It is used at the institution, and no matter what the demand, it never goes for other county purposes.

This has been the custom for the last five years, since the law prohibiting the use of intoxicants by penal institutions became effective. But never before has the supply been laid in so early as this year.

There was no break in the ice above Sewickley last night. The river is filled with gorges all the way from Sewickley to the mouth. The water is very high, but not dangerously so. Reports from Beaver county, however, indicate that it may be some time before the ice breaks so as to start down. Many shanty boats were caught in the ice gorge at Beaver and are now fast. Many of the owners of the boats have left them, but others were caught in the ice and are now floating just above the dam. They are well housed and it is possible they may be saved.

There was little ice floating down the Ohio river last night and the river is now well opened up below Neville Island. No ice is coming down the Monongahela. It is well broken all the way up to Monongahela, but the water is either too low to empty it down, or else hot water from industries along the way causes the ice to melt.

Weather reports last night indicated little change in conditions of yesterday. However, fewer quick changes have been noted. A higher water mark for the ice and snow along the river north of Pittsburgh will run off the ice and open navigation. No large amount of rainfall is necessary.

Tony Moisey.

If you need money for the holidays or any other purpose, call at the MONARCH LOAN & TRUST CO., 401 DIAMOND BUILDING, 431 PENN AVE. They loan from $10 to $1,000 on furniture, pianos, household goods, etc., and other kind of personal property. Easy payments and strictly confidential.

CAMPBELL'S,
Splendid Stocks of the
Conventional Presents.
If gloves, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, men's ties and calendars are on your list of things needed, you will find the lines of these typical Christmas goods immensely attractive at the Campbell's. Take a look at the stocks, and compare their purchases until the "last day."

The Best Way to Get Work.

The quickest way to get work is to apply at the Bureau of Employment. Under your application all the persons who by letter, phone or personally, employers and salary wanted. The Gazette will forward your application to the right person and with charge for clothing whatever.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

For one and all. Others may be more ornamental but none more appreciated. Call and see.

FURS:
Ladies' Handsome Sable and Isabella Fox Scarfs, with long tails and claws, at $6.50, $9.50, $12.50, $15 to $25
Siberian Squirrel Scarfs, extra fine qualities, at $6.50, $10.50 and $18
Genuine Mink Fur Scarfs at $10.50, $15 to $25
Electric Seal Scarfs.....$2.50
Children's Fur Sets in large variety, from.....$1 to $10
SILK AND SATINE PETTICOATS
Ladies' Mercerized Satine Petticoats, extra full and well made, at.....90c to $3
Ladies' Taffeta Silk Petticoats, made of guaranteed silk, at $3.75 and $5

CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS:
Fine and dainty lot of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Handkerchiefs for Christmas presents—
Plain hemstitched, from 5c to 25c
Lace and embroidered...10c to 75c
Initial Handkerchiefs...12½c to 50c
Gentlemen's Handkerchiefs in plain, hemstitched, initial and silk, from.....10c to $1
Men's Gloria and Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, to natural sticks and fancy handles, from...$1.50 to $5
Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, in all grades, from.....$1.25 to $5
Ladies' Kid Gloves at.....$1
Men's Kid Gloves at.....$1
Ladies' Dressing Sacques, 50c to $7
Ladies' Wrappers.....$1 to $1.50

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The Best Things in Life Don't Cost a Cent.

The air and the sunshine are free to everybody who takes the trouble to look for them in the right place. And if you look in the right place---Next Sunday's Gazette---for

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No hoary-headed jokes are there, and never the crackle of a chestnut. But a silvery stream of laughter sparkling with spontaneous and original humor flashes through every page, and will keep your heart merry throughout the New Year.

You'll MISS it if you miss it. But you won't miss it if you place your order right away for

THE SUNDAY GAZETTE.

ALADDIN'S TOUCH GIVEN TO SCHWAB

Evidence Given of Bulging Bank Balance at Shipyards Inquiry.

SECRETS OF STEEL WORKS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]
NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Charles M. Schwab's private account with the New York Security and Trust Company during August, 1902, when the United States Shipbuilding Company took over the Bethlehem Steel Company, was probed today during the examination into the affairs of the shipyards corporation.

It was shown that his balance had grown from $1,633,642 02 on August 1 to $7,325,899 21 on August 12, when a check for $7,161,701 48 was charged against the account. Samuel Untermeyer was unable to ascertain from what sources the account has been increased. Charles M. Schwab smiled while he listened to the evidence given by Carroll L. Root, of the trust company.

John W. Gates today disclaimed all knowledge of the transactions which his firm had with the United States Shipbuilding Company. He told Samuel Untermeyer, counsel for the minority bondholders that he was in Europe at the time Harris, Gates & Co. took part in the deal, and Mr. Untermeyer decided not to put him on the stand.

Mr. Untermeyer said an effort had been made to serve Charles Gates, but that he was in the south shooting, and had not yet been reached. Alfred Rose, an expert accountant, was then called, and testified as to the financial status of the Bethlehem Steel Company at the time it was acquired by Mr. Schwab.

Steel Works Secrets.

Before the taking of testimony began Mr. Untermeyer replied caustically to the demand made by W. D. Guthrie, counsel for the company and for Charles M. Schwab, for an inquiry into the publication of the Alexander correspondence and the examiner refused to permit the examination of a score of newspaper men and others who were present under subpoena, and whom Mr. Guthrie expected to tell how the letters and dispatches got into print.

Mr. Untermeyer said he regretted that counsel for the defense had made another attempt "to divert attention from the real issues in the case."

Mr. Rose gave a technical description of the effect of the charging off of $250,000 from the Bethlehem assets in November, 1902, declaring the Shipbuilding Company had bought on representations in the books $250,000 in current assets which the facts did not bear out and that this same had appeared as current assets in the statement to the New York stock exchange.

Taking up then, the alleged withholding of Bethlehem dividends, which, so it is charged, was instrumental in wrecking the Shipbuilding Company, which owned the Bethlehem stock, Mr. Untermeyer obtained from Mr. Rose the statement that the Bethlehem Company, which in April 1, 1902, had debts amounting to $750,000, had by September 1, 1903, emerged entirely from debt, having paid off $325,000 since April 1, 1903, and $750,000 during the month of August.

In addition to applying this sum to debt reduction, Rose stated the Bethlehem company had since July 21, 1903, invested $813,625 in the Lackawanna Iron Company. Upon Mr. Guthrie's objecting to this as testimony concerning transactions subsequent to the joining issue in this suit, Mr. Untermeyer rejoined that "one of the most significant phases in our case is that of inactive arising since the joining of action."

Increase in Earnings.

In regard to net earnings Rose's figures showed that the earnings, $350,176 in 1901, had increased to $1,261,501 in 1902, and $1,662,580 in 1903, dividends of $525,000 being paid in 1901, none in 1902, and $250,000 in 1903. These last dividends, Mr. Rose said, went to the Shipbuilding Company, to be applied on the $10,000,000 issue of bonds held by C. M. Schwab.

At this point the hearing closed for the day, to be resumed with Mr. Rose on the stand tomorrow.

Lewis Nixon, former president of the United States Shipbuilding Company, today made the following statement in answer to that of Charles M. Schwab:

"There are so many of his statements that run counter to my recollections that they had best be cleared on the witness stand. However, that I never gave him or signed him a so-called prospectus of June 14, or that I in any way misled him, is not only ridiculously false, but maliciously false.

"I was anxious to keep the company going. Having sold none of my Rondout oil securities, all my interests were tied up in its success, and it would have been a success had any of the aid which a constituent company is expected to give been forthcoming from Bethlehem."

CUPID HIS ABDUCTOR.

Parents of Missing McKinley Guard Think He Is With His Sweetheart.

TOLEDO, Dec. 23.—First Lieut. Floyd Miller of the First Infantry, United States army, who has been on duty at the grave of the late President McKinley and who has been absent from his post since November 29, spent several days with his parents in this city, and has been missing since December 5.

His parents do not believe that he has deserted or that he is the victim of foul play, although they were of the opinion that he had returned to Canton. They say he was in love with the daughter of a retired army surgeon named Cook in Washington, and that they believe this young lady knows of his whereabouts.

MANY DESTITUTE.

One Hundred Families in South Sharon Being Aided by Subscriptions.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—An alarming state of affairs exists in South Sharon among the poor, due to the prolonged shutdown of the mills. There are at least 100 families in need, and of this number probably half are without coal, food or money. The citizens of the town have secured $14,000 by subscription, but much more is needed.

WILD DASH FOR LIBERTY.

Prisoner Tries to Escape Detectives by Hiding on a Steamship.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—David Jones, alias Robert Powell, while being taken to the steamer Teutonic, broke away from Scotland Yard detectives today and made a dash for liberty. He hoped his way aboard the Teutonic, where he tried to bribe the steward to secrete him until the arrival of the ship at Liverpool.

He was turned over to the captain of the vessel, however, who placed him again in custody of the detectives. Jones was arrested on December 2 on the arrival of the Noordam on information from Scotland Yard, which stated that he was wanted on a charge of embezzling about $70,000. The money, it is said, was entrusted to Jones, who is a lawyer.

CAMPBELL'S.
Get in Line Early if You
Want Christmas Candy
The fame of the 50c special candy box, put up at the "Penny's Store," has extended so far and wide that it was necessary last evening for Campbell's employes to get ready a stock of filled boxes which would make a good-sized load for one of the big covered express wagons. People who have tasted the delicious chocolates and other delicious things that enter into this delicious mixture will buy early. They're wise, because the goods come from New York and the end of the stock is in sight and will probably be reached before Friday today.

WILL BE FIGHT TO THE FINISH

Chicago Liverymen Decline Arbitration and Will Force an "Open Shop."

THEY DEMAND PROTECTION

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]
CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The struggle between the Liverymen's and Undertakers' association and the Livery Drivers' union is to be a fight to the finish, all efforts looking to a settlement of the strike by conciliation having been abandoned for night. At a meeting tonight of the employers affected by the strike it was decided to open for business tomorrow on the "open shop" principle, and employ union or non-union men.

Before this decision was reached arrangements were made to petition one of the circuit court judges tomorrow for an injunction restraining the strikers from interfering with the business of the employers.

In anticipation of opposition by the union the employers tonight called upon Chief of Police O'Neill for further police protection. Chief O'Neill's plan is to have policeme to accompany all funerals in cabs.

Members of the association said tonight that should the police fail to maintain order the sheriff would be called upon for protection and should that measure fail the governor would be appealed to to supply militiamen.

Reports of the decision of the owners caused no dismay in the camp of the strikers. Supported by the promise of a strike fund of $30,000 a week, the idle carriage and hearse drivers look into the future fearlessly. They say that an injunction, police protection and even the militia, cannot seriously affect their chances of winning, for the reason that men cannot be secured to drive their vehicles, deserted when the strike was ordered.

DEALERS COMPELLED TO GIVE PURER MILK

Reforms Worked by Director Moore, Who Sent Out An Investigator.

The report has been completed of Ordinance Officer D. R. Lewis, who was appointed by Harry Moore, director of the department of public works, to inspect the dairies of the city. It was found that there are 125 dairies within the city limits. Besides making a report on their condition, in which he caused some radical improvements to be made, Mr. Lewis also inspected and tested the milk sold in the grocery stores and milk depots, finding more than 400 such places.

In addition to the usual tests Mr. Lewis made personally, he took samples of each dealer to the bureau of health, where they were tested again in the division of bacteriology. These tests were recorded and can be referred to by anybody. Director Moore is anxious to hear from any house holder who thinks his milk is not good. Analyses of the milk sold by any dealer will be sent to any address on request.

A second man followed Mr. Lewis after a reasonable period to see if the dealer had fallen back into any careless practice, but for the most part it was found the first test was about correct and the improvements required by Officer Lewis were established.

The most common adulteration was found to be formaldehyde, and it is said that while it is still used to some extent the manufacturers of it complain that their sales here have fallen off 75 per cent. Dairies were ordered to be cleaned up and better sanitary arrangements were vigorously demanded. In some cases the officer visited out-of-town dairies and notified the owners that unless they cleaned up their sales would be stopped in the city.

SMUGGLING CHARGE CAUSED RESIGNATION

Porto Rican Official's Resignation Accepted by Secretary Shaw.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, Dec. 23.—A cablegram has been received from Secretary of the Treasury Shaw accepting the resignation of Alonzo Cruzen, collector of customs of Porto Rico. It is believed here that W. H. Elliott of Indiana, commissioner of the Interior for Porto Rico will succeed Mr. Cruzen and that he in turn will be succeeded by Regis H. Post, of New York, who is at present auditor of Porto Rico.

It is reported that President Roosevelt will permit Senator Beveridge of Indiana to name the new collector. The resignation of Mr. Cruzen is the result of recent investigations into the charges of smuggling made against certain officers of the United States navy and Porto Rican officials.

THAXTON GOES FREE.

His Plea for Killing of William Price Was Self-Defense.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Walter Thaxton, who shot and killed William Price, a railroad contractor, on Friday night, as the result of alleged undue attentions upon the part of Price to Thaxton's wife, was arraigned today before Magistrate Cottrell for preliminary hearing.

The evidence tended to show that Thaxton fired the fatal shots in self-defense, as Price had declared he intended killing him as he entered the room. Thaxton was released from custody upon motion of Prosecuting Attorney Davis.

BIG PLANTS PAY OFF.

Advanced the Operation Four Days to Provide Christmas Money.

All the big plants in the Braddock and Homestead districts disbursed their semi-monthly pay yesterday, four days earlier than usual. With the exception of several mills at the Homestead steel works, which in the aggregate employ but 450 men, all the plants are in operation, or all the workmen are employed making repairs and improvements at the plants which have suspended.

Official notice was posted at the plants of the National Tube Company of McKeesport yesterday that the works will close today indefinitely. The men were told that notice of reampption would be given later, and it is believed that the mills will be idle until after January 1. The Demmler tin plate plant will also shut down tomorrow afternoon. The plant will not resume until January 4.

WIFE MURDERER IS CONVICTED IN ARMSTRONG

KITTANNING, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The jury in the case of August Troutwein, charged with killing his wife at Aladdin, today brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. The killing occurred on September 29 and the motive was supposed to be jealousy. Armstrong county never had a first degree murder prior to 1901.

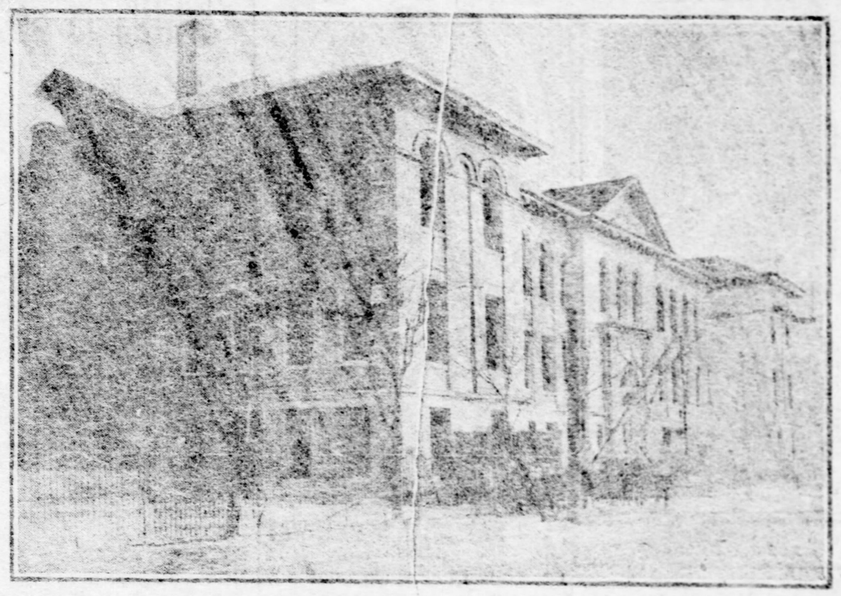
Wrestler Dies of Injuries.

SHARON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Jesse Snyder, of the fire department, died at the home of his parents in Orchard avenue this morning from brain trouble, which was brought about through an injury received in a wrestling match some time ago.

Meeting Night Was Changed.

The meeting announced for Thursday evening for the purpose of organizing a volunteer fire department in the Third ward, Millvale, will not be held until Monday evening at Whitehouse hall, Evergreen avenue, Millvale. The movement is backed by many prominent citizens of Millvale.

The New School Going Up in Braddock



The new First ward (Braddock) school building, now nearing completion, will be the finest school building in Allegheny county outside of Pittsburgh and Allegheny. The building completed will cost slightly over $160,000, and will have every modern improvement known to school builders. Work on the structure was commenced last spring and the building was to have been completed for the present school term, but owing to labor troubles it has been delayed long past the time originally settled on for the completion of the structure. The building is located on Talbot avenue, near Eleventh street, and adjoins the present First ward school, the oldest school building in the Monongahela valley. The new building is of buff brick and stone and will be finished throughout in hard wood. The building is expected to be finished in January, but will not be used until the next term of school.

TRAFFIC'S WHEELS CAUSED MORE DEATHS THAN BATTLE

Startling Figures of a Report on Casualties in Pennsylvania Last Year.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]
HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 23.—Hazards of railroad life are sharply emphasized in the annual report of Maj. I. B. Brown, secretary of the department of international affairs in which a parallel is drawn between the casualties among railroad employes in this state in the last year and the union losses on some of the greatest battlefields of the civil war.

The casualties among steam railway employes in Pennsylvania for the year covered by the report was 15,582. The combined figures for the steam and street railways show a greater number of casualties during the year "than occurred throughout the union army in any one of the great battles of the civil war."

During the year the number of passengers killed on the street railways was 41 injured, and 1,727 of the employes of these street railway corporations 21 were killed and 1,049 injured. The persons killed were killed and 1,000 injured, making the total number of fatal accidents on the lines of 3,030, or a total of 3,226 casualties.

In discussing the casualty figures reported by the various roads, Maj. Brown calls attention to the significant fact that there was a decrease in the number of employes injured last year as compared with the year before, of 3,512.

ACCEPTED HIS OFFER.

Philadelphia's Council Pledges to Support the Carnegie Libraries.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—By an almost unanimous vote, though not without prior verbal opposition, common council decided that the city should accept the gift of Andrew Carnegie of $50,000 for each of 30 branch libraries, on condition that the city maintain them at not less than 10 per cent of their cost.

In asking for favorable consideration of the offer Councilman Wilson H. Brown, Twenty-second ward, chairman of the committee on public libraries and museums, declared that the city today was appropriating to the public library system just $150,000, the same amount as it would commit itself to appropriate annually if the Carnegie offer was accepted. Tracing the growth of the free library from a circulation of 250,000 volumes in 1892, to 1,600,000, in 1903, he advised that the money be accepted as a good business proposition.

MEN TO BE DEPORTED.

Foreigners Who Would Likely Be Charges on Community.

The department of charities and corrections yesterday afternoon turned over to three immigrant inspectors, sent here from Ellis Island, four foreigners who will be deported. They are Constantine Stankus, a Russian Jew, who has consumption; Errico Timoti, an Italian, who is ill with nervous trouble; Waldersias Panek, a Slav, who has an incurable disease, and Joseph H. Young, an Englishman who is demented. None of them has been in this country over six months.

The department on Tuesday night turned over to an inspector from Baltimore Jacob Boleski, a Russian, who also will be deported. He came to this country last September and has consumption.

POSTMASTERS NAMED FOR PENNSYLVANIA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The following fourth-class Pennsylvania postmasters were appointed today: Cameron, Cameron county, Delilah C. Hall; Grant, Indiana county, Joseph G. Sechler; Howard, Center county, Wilbur F. Hall; Rouseville, Franklin county, Samuel A. Bushman; Waldeck, Lebanon county, Henry Rhoads; Weyant, Bradford county, Josiah Ibler.

Teachers Threaten a Strike.

MANNINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Eight teachers from Mount Pleasant township in attendance at the county institute now in session here are on the eve of a strike for higher wages. One month after the schools opened two teachers fixed their wages at $40 per month to $37 50 a month, but the fact was kept quiet. The other teachers have given the directors until tomorrow evening to even up wages or they will not teach after the holidays.

Beavers' Successor Appointed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Announcement was made today of the appointment of C. M. Waters as superintendent of the division of salaries and allowances of the postoffice department, to succeed George W. Beavers, to take effect January 1, next. Mr. Waters is now acting superintendent of the division.

Had a Rough Trip from Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm arrived tonight from Bremen, after a tempestuous voyage of seven days. The steamer lost one of her propeller blades during the voyage. The Bluecher, which also arrived today, was in collision with a tramp steamer during a fog, but was able to continue the trip.

Eastern Tube Company Appraisement.

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 23.—In the case of the North American Tube Company, appraisement was fixed today at $100,000 and the day of sale February 16, 1904. Several months ago the company went into the hands of receivers.

HELP WANTED.
The Pittsburgh Gazette Finds Positions of All Kinds Free of Cost.
If you are now out of employment or if you wish to better your present position apply at once to The Gazette's free Bureau of Employment. You will immediately be put into communication with the people who are looking for just such services as you have to offer. And it doesn't cost you a cent. It's free.

PLUMBING ACT IS SUSTAINED

Judge Brown Said Its Provisions Are Consistent With the Constitution.

JOHN BELTZ'S FINE STANDS

Judge Marshall Brown, in common pleas No. 1, handed down an opinion sustaining the act of June 7, 1901, regulating plumbing and house drainage in cities of the second class, the same being exclusively published in The Gazette.

John Beltz, a plumber, was fined for violating the act by Alderman C. F. Over and took an appeal. It was set up in his behalf that the act was unconstitutional. Beltz's particular offense was a failure to register and secure a license and a failure to use cast iron drain pipe.

Judge Brown, in his opinion, says it is contended that the requirements as to registration and the use of cast iron pipe for drainage in cities of the second class, is not grounded in necessity springing from peculiarities clearly distinguishing one class from each of the others, and imperatively demanding legislation for one class that is not demanded by another class. The court finds much force in this but says the distinction as applied to different classifications is a matter of legislative discretion and is not subject to the constitution.

Several opinions of the supreme court are quoted to show the limits of power in this direction and then taking up the question of demanding the use of cast iron pipe, says: "It would be difficult to secure a fair trial at this time. The position taken by Roeski is said to be similar to that taken by the other defendants.

To Meet After Long Seperation.

M. H. Ivory of 1006 Fifth avenue, McKeesport, yesterday left for Jacksonville, Fla., where he expects to meet on Christmas day a sister whom he has not seen for 30 years and a brother who he last saw on the battle line at Fredericksburg during the civil war.

Glass Manufacturers in Session.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Representatives of the principal glass factories of the country met here today but refuse to divulge any information, except that the meeting had been called for the transaction of private business of the houses represented. It was denied that the question of labor or the fixing of the increase of prices had been discussed.

The Prisoner Walked Away.

PORTLAND, ORE., Dec. 23.—Shackled with leg irons and attired only in his right clothes, Thurlow W. Parker, alias Brown, an alleged forger, who has been eluding the Portland police for weeks, walked out of a southbound car here at Umatilla and made his escape while Detective Day slumbered in a berth. The officer left Parker in charge of a porter, who fell asleep.

Execution Issued Upon Synagogue.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—A sensation was caused today when an execution was issued against the Hebrew congregation known as Tifereth Israel congregation, for $500, alleged to be due him upon a mortgage of $2,400 which he formerly held. The congregation contains many wealthy members.

CUBANS HAVE PLAN TO CHEAT UNCLE SAM

Propose to Increase Tariff to Wipe Out Reduction Provided in Treaty.

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Probably exclusive information has reached President Roosevelt and the state department that leading members of the Cuban congress are planning to change the tariff laws of that country in order to wipe out the reduction provided for in the reciprocity treaty put in force by the bill just passed by congress.

So much surprised were the president and the administration officials at this information that the state department at once ordered an investigation in Cuba.

Senor Quesada, the Cuban minister, said tonight that such a bill was pending, but that it was in no way discriminating against the United States; was in line with the recommendation of Taker H. Biles, and was necessary for the purpose of preventing a reduction of Cuban revenues.

Important members of the administration said tonight that if any such bill was to be passed, and it was found in addition to the duty any discriminating or to have the effect of wiping out the reduction on American products provided for in the treaty, means will be taken to abrogate the reciprocity convention at once. It is known here, however, that President Palma is very much opposed to the proposition, and it is hoped that his influence will finally prevail in having the bill killed.

SISTER TELLS OF MARRIAGE AT HER BROTHER'S WEDDING

Two weddings took place in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pollard of Second avenue, Homestead, this week, but the first ceremony was not known to have been performed till after the knot had been tied in the second. John Pollard and Miss Bertha May Bell were married at the bride's home in Clairton Tuesday morning. Pollard's sister, Mrs. Lyda Raybone, had arranged to be married to William Lee Thomson yesterday morning, but while they were waiting at the railroad station for a train to take them to Clairton, they decided to have the ceremony performed, and went to the pastoral residence of the First Baptist church, Homestead, where they were united by the Rev. H. Walter Vincent. Mr. and Mrs. Thomson then went to Clairton, and after the ceremony they surprised the wedding guests by announcing their marriage.

NAVY DEMANDS INCREASE IN OUTPUT OF ARMOR

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—By reason of the greater rapidity with which the new ships for the navy are being advanced to completion, Secretary Moody has transmitted to congress an urgent request for an appropriation of $250,000 for armor and armament to be made without delay. The last appropriation made for armor and armament was based on the amount expended per month last year, which was $750,000. Since July last this item has amounted to $1,100,000 per month, and after January 1 the manufacturers of armor have notified the department that a material increase is to be made in their output.

CRANK WANTED TO SEE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—A crank demanding to see President Roosevelt was ejected from St. Patrick's cathedral at the funeral of Frederick R. Coudert. The crank was very quiet when a man with long hair came in and demanded of Eugene Reilly, the head usher, that President Roosevelt be pointed out. The words were spoken loudly and could be heard almost all over the cathedral. The ushers looked at the man, the man got a crank and as quietly as possible told him the president was not there. Insisting that President Roosevelt would be there the man was led outside.

DAUGHTER OF REVOLUTION IS BURIED IN SCRANTON

SCRANTON, PA., Dec. 23.—Miss Lucinda Valentine, a real "daughter of the revolution," was buried yesterday in Glenburnie cemetery at Homesdale. She died Friday at Matamoras, Pike county. Her sister is the only survivor of a man who fought in the revolution. Mrs. Valentine was a daughter of Jabez Rockwell, who served with Gen. George Washington for six years. She was 91 years, 5 months and 25 days old. She was born at Milford, June 10, 1812, and is survived by one sister, Mrs. Phoebe Gainsford, aged 98 years, who resided with her.

CHRISTMAS IS NOT TO BE A FAST DAY

The fact that Christmas comes on Friday this year will not alter the bill of fare of members of the Roman Catholic church who are governed by rules obliging abstinence on the 40th day of the week. A dispensation of long standing absolves the faithful from this rule on the anniversary of the nativity, and a special indulgence will grant the same privilege on New Year's day. A circular containing the pontifical decrees will be received by Bishop Phelan of the Pittsburgh diocese and each parish priest will be notified.

Diphtheria May Close Churches Also.

Owing to the presence of a number of cases of diphtheria in Emsworth the public schools of that borough have been closed and it is thought it will be necessary to close the churches also. Next Sunday's opening of the board of health will be held tomorrow to act on the matter.

Traction Men Get Advance.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Dec. 23.—The Wilkesbarre & Wyoming Valley Traction Company today granted to trainmen an advance of 2c per hour, making their wages $1 90 per eight hours' work.

GIRL'S DEFENSE OF HER LOVER

Mary Logan Tells New Story of the Killing of Officer A. J. Kelly.

MELIC PLEADS SELF-DEFENSE

The last murder case of the week, that of Frank Melic, charged with shooting Policeman Andrew J. Kelly on the Second Hazelwood Sunday, October 4, was placed on trial in criminal court yesterday. Assistant District Attorney W. D. Guthrie has charge of the prosecution and Joseph M. Friedman is defending Melic.

Dr. Walter C. McCandless testified that Kelly died from a bullet wound in the right breast. Dr. David Kelly, a brother, said the officer had told him during that afternoon, and his wife corroborated him.

Edward Boland testified that Kelly walked toward Melic and Mary Logan when the latter ran across the street. Melic drew twice at the officer, he said, as he was first shot and started to run before Kelly fired.

Thomas Boland, a brother of Melic, on the night of the shooting, he said, noticed that Melic had had a mustache, which had since been removed.

W. J. Boyle, inspector of police, had seen Melic that afternoon, and he was other people told of calling Melic to the house and of shooting Melic in the hand as he pumped through the window.

Lieut. Edward McFarland told of arresting Melic, one of whose friends had told Boyle of the man who did the work. He arrested Melic, who tried to drop a revolver, which the witness picked up.

For the defense Mary Logan, the fiancee of the alleged murderer, said that on the night of the murder she and Melic were walking along Hazelwood talking. She said at that time he proposed to her and she accepted. Shortly afterward, she says, a man who proved to be Kelly came up to them and caught her by the arm. She says he then took her for Regina Palmisano and that when he found his error he let her go. She knew Regina personally, and by this time Melic identified and ordered Kelly to release the woman. After this, she said, Kelly struck Melic, and shots were drawn by both men, the shooting commenced and the witness ran away. She said not to her did the first shot was fired and she did not see Kelly fall as an officer.

Melic, the defendant, in telling the story of the shooting, said he did not remember much of the affair, but remembered coming to and was drunk. The first he remembered of the trouble was when Kelly and the girl began arguing. He then said he interfered and Kelly pushed him to the side. Both men then pulled out their revolvers, and the witness said Kelly shot at him. He opened fire on Kelly, but did not remember how many shots he fired. After shooting a few times he ran away. He said he did not know Kelly was an officer, but rather thought he was a thief. He said positively that Kelly did not show his badge and fired the first shot. He returned the fire, he said, in self-defense.

John Ryan, Patrick McGinnis, Thomas Manning, Jr., and John Patterson pleaded guilty to breaking into McKeesport holdings, and will serve two years in the workhouse. Manning will get an additional six months for other robberies.

Abe Koerner, who was found guilty of assisting William Peoyle three times during a flight from justice, was sentenced to three years, for robbery, and Mike McGrave, for larceny and receiving stolen goods, will spend the next two years in the workhouse.

MURDER IS CHARGED.

Grand Jury Finds a True Bill Against David Morrow. Other Returns.

Among the true bills returned by the grand jury yesterday was one indicting David Morrow on a charge of murder. Coroner Jesse M. McCleary, the prosecutor, claims that Morrow is responsible for the death of Mary Pengelle, colored, who was shot at Grenfell Postoffice, Allegheny township, on November 11. The deed was a widower, 50 years old.

The grand jury also returned true bills against Assault and battery, F. Shaubenery, M. E. McNamara, Michael Slater, John O. Herbert, Henry Parker, Joseph Layton, et al., larceny; William Sing, Charles Lee, Jacob Thornton, Benjamin Kemperfurn, S. Bronstein, Jacob Tannenbaum, embezzlement, N. Sellowitz (2), Louis McKeon, selling liquor illegally; Josephine Alexander, Ollie Griggs, John Wilson, John Wagner, Thomas Moore (2), assault on police; Charles Lutz, Jake Brisman, J. A. Bruning, Theodore Assault and battery; Margaret Parker, entering a building with intent to commit a felony; Thomas Quigley et al., felonious assault; Lazarro Lerico, Boyle R. Brown, pointing firearms, Charles Lutz, aggravated assault and battery; Edward Scrowronetz, John Krainer.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

M. C. Hammel secured a decree in divorce from Grace C. Hammel on grounds of infidelity.

Application was made by Attorney L. S. Lowe for a charter of incorporation for the Wayne Athletic association.

The borough of Braddock has sued the Second Avenue Passenger Railway Company for $1,380, alleging the amount is due as tax at 15c per car.

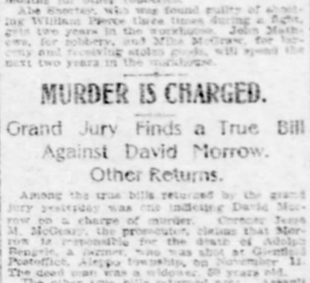
The suit of the Palmer Window Glass Company against the American Window Glass Workers' association was settled and discontinued, the defendants withdrawing some of the derogatory language appearing in the bill of complaint and the operating under the association rules.

The following executions were issued yesterday: Antonia Purcell against Martha Jane Miller, $450 50; Paul Brewster vs. Cavan Wilmer et al., $1,025; John C. McKelvy vs. John C. Fisher, $1,761 25; George Kuhn vs. Mary Kuhn, $111 15; C. Webster vs. Ely Thompson, $117; John Hess vs. W. H. Hagenbuch, $100.

An decree in distribution of $180,348 14 was made in the estate of William Bagnell, deed. The Safe Deposit & Trust Company, as trustee, is given $180,139 54. This is for the use of the widow, Elizabeth Flint, and will revert to the children, Mrs. Amelia Copley, Mrs. Lottie R. Moreland and William M. Flint, at her death.

The First National Bank of Braddock in an equity suit, charges Elizabeth B. and Robert Bowen, of North Homestead avenue, with fraudulently transferring property to the wife person, who returned it to Mrs. Bowen, in order to defeat liens of $10,000 or more against the property. It is alleged a fake consideration of $10,000 was named in each deed.

Mrs. Jessie A. Mealy has instituted that her divorce case against J. H. Mealy be advanced for trial in order that she may sell real estate. The husband refuses to sign without a portion of the proceeds, and says that Mrs. Mealy has extended $40,000 on him. She charges cruel and barbarous treatment and the desertion of her fortune. Mealy says his wife compelled him to leave a workingman to a life of leisure without attendant duties.



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THREE VICTIMS FROM EPIDEMIC

Death Once More Busy in Fever Stricken Butler.

CHRISTMAS FOR THE SICK

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BUTLER, PA., Dec. 23.—Three deaths and two new cases were reported this evening. The dead are:

EVALINE M'LAUGHLIN, age 11 years, daughter of Peter McLaughlin, who died of the fever early in the month.

ALEXANDER MURRAY CORNELIUS, of West Jefferson street.

DOCTOR GEORGE H. M'ADOO, one of the physicians who had been attending patients.

Alexander Murray Cornelius was one of the oldest attorneys at the Butler bar. His death occurred this afternoon. He was born near West Liberty and before being admitted to the bar he taught school. He was a Democrat and for many years a trustee and treasurer of the United Presbyterian church. He is survived by his wife, three sons, and three daughters. Two of his children are ill with the fever.

The death of Attorney A. B. C. McFarland, may occur any moment.

Doctor McAdoo has been hovering between life and death for several weeks and his death occurred at 9 o'clock tonight. He was aged 37 years, and was born at Kennard, Mercer county. He was graduated from the West Penn Medical college and practiced several years at Slippery Rock. His wife and three children survive.

The total of deaths is now 74. One feature of the situation was the appearance of a few convalescents on the streets. At St. Paul's orphan home there are 17 sick. An important part of the relief work now under way is the preparation being made by the women's auxiliary and the local branch of the Red Cross society to have Christmas celebrated in the homes of those where illness has prevented preparations for the holidays.

The members are busy collecting toys and making up a list of children for Santa Claus to visit. The work of cleansing the city reservoir is being done under the direction of Engineer Morgan Hayes of the Butler water works. Four inches of sediment were found in the bottom. The reservoir received its last cleansing 18 months ago.

Among the contributions today were $385 from insurance companies represented by Abrams and Dale, and $31 from the Jolly club, of Worthington, Armstrong county.

TOYS FOR BUTLER.

Women of Pittsburgh, Allegheny and Butler United for Laudable Movement.

Women of Pittsburgh, Allegheny and Butler have united in a movement to supply toys and dolls for Butler's children, especially those whose homes have been visited by sickness. A fund has been raised and the work will be done today. Besides, the women of Butler have arranged to send flowers to every sick person in that city before Christmas. Mrs. J. L. Anderson visited Butler Tuesday and says the epidemic there will not be stamped out before Easter.

Contributions for the Butler relief fund are being received by J. D. Lyon of Nathaniel Holmes & Sons, bankers. Yesterday $100 was received from Booth & Flinn, $50 from James McClurg & Co., making the total to date $8,577 60.

Mill Broke Down at Etna.

The new guide mill of the Spang-Chalfant company made its second start this week yesterday, and was again laid off on account of a break in the new machinery. Forty men will be idle while repairs are being made.

GROOM DID NOT COME, BRIDE TOOK POISON

German Girl at Oil City Will Be Buried in Her Wedding Gown.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

OIL CITY, PA., Dec. 23.—Deserted by her lover on the date set for the wedding, Lena Stahlman, a comely German girl, aged 22 years, committed suicide today by swallowing carbolic acid. The wedding gown, which she had designed and made herself, will be used for her shroud.

The whereabouts of Thomas Alfred Edwards, the girl's affianced, is unknown. The couple, who were residents of this city, had been engaged for some time and yesterday was spent in procuring the marriage license and arranging for the ceremony, which was to take place at 7 o'clock in the evening.

Miss Stahlman dressed in her wedding garments, and surrounded by her sister, Emma, the only relative in this country, and a few invited friends, waited for the groom to appear. Several hours went past. The guests indulging in good natured jests at the expense of the girl who finally secretly left the party and went to the home of Edwards. Returning to the guests she concealed her disappointment and desertion and informed them that Edwards was taken suddenly ill and that the ceremony would be postponed until today.

This evening she had been heard moving about her room and it was thought that she was again making preparations for the ceremony and she was not disturbed. About noon, when she failed to respond to summons the door was opened and Miss Stahlman was found on the bed unconscious.

Her throat and mouth were terribly burned and she died soon afterwards. On a stand beside the cup that contained the poison was a letter addresser to her sister, Emma, directing her to see Mrs. Edwards, "who will tell you all." The dead girl and her sister had recently visited their parents in Germany to acquaint them of Lena's forthcoming nuptials.

HE HAS FUNNY PAINS.

Lawrenceville Police Have Sick Man Who Can't Get Case Diagnosed.

Suffering from an ailment he was unable to describe, John F. Kane, 50 years of age, was picked up last night by the police at Penn avenue and Twelfth street, and taken to the Lawrenceville station. The stranger, who was well dressed, told the sergeant that he had just been discharged from Mercy hospital, where he was unable to get the right kind of treatment, and that he had also been at the Homeopathic hospital. As he appeared in great pain he was sent to Mercy hospital, but Superintendent Charles S. Howell refused to admit him, saying he was not sick. Acting Superintendent of Police Bernard McStay was then communicated with and ordered Kane locked up. The afflicted man says that he formerly lived on Andrews street, East End. He says that he is unable to get proper treatment, while the hospital authorities claim he is shamming.

WORDS OF LAST TOAST FORECAST OF DEATH

ST. CLAIRSVILLE, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—William Gebhart, son of a prominent merchant, was found dead in bed today. Opium caused death and circumstances indicate that it was taken with suicidal intent. Young Gebhart had been involved in a lovers' quarrel and last night drank a toast with friends in which he told them they would not see him again.

Temperance Workers Organize.

A temperance rally was held in Oakland M. E. church last night and a division of the Sons of Temperance, to be known as Oakland division, No. 462, was instituted by National Organizers Peckwood and Blair of Philadelphia. There were 20 applicants for a charter. The charter membership remains open until March 31. Samuel Groves of 26 Wilmot street is the worthy patriarch, and Charles R. Webb of 2406 Ward street is recording secretary. The next meeting will be on Thursday evening, January 7, at 26 Parkview boulevard.

ELEVENTH HOUR XMAS SHOPPING

Local Merchants Will Be Besieged by Hundreds of Thousands of Buyers.

FESTIVITIES BEGIN TONIGHT

Half a million people in Greater Pittsburgh will buy Christmas presents today. No matter how frugal and careful they were to secure the larger amount of their goods before the rush, there is invariably an afterthought and practically the entire population goes shopping at the last minute.

The city never presented a busier scene than last night. Residents of the suburbs remained in town through the evening and restaurants were crowded with the unusual throng of patrons who were too busy to go home for dinner. There was no indication of a threatened stringency in the money market and buyers made purchases with a liberal hand. Christmas trees were put up and loving hands worked in into the night preparing for the festivities which will begin at sunset today.

"Trade has been just a little better this year than ever before," said a department store manager yesterday. "If is the popular opinion that business took a slump this year, and at the start the holiday trade did not look particularly inviting compared with the phenomenal business which we had last season. There is no getting away from the fact that people are economical this year and the buying is in a different line of goods, but the total of all sales is on the right side of the ledger. For instance, the best buyers are getting staples instead of luxuries. The number of men who are buying their wives fine furs is amazing. Last year they bought jewelry. In the jewelry business the dealers will tell you that silver plate and watches are more in demand than rings and brooches. The jewelers, too, are doing their usual large share of the trade.

Buyers Are Frugal.

"And it is not amiss to say that more people are giving this year and that the people who give are giving more than in previous holiday seasons. This means a large trade and reassures business men that the people are not going to salt down their money. They keep it in circulation, and by so doing indirectly benefit themselves."

The usual cosmopolitan crowd of eleventh-hour buyers besieged the counters last night in the same indicrous fashion which has noted this class of patrons among the shopkeepers. In the tobacco stores were women, both buying "fine cigars" and insisted on getting a $5 box for $4.75. In the haberdashers were women buying cravats of loud hue that a man would dread as he does a hangman's noose. In the millinery shops were men who had to buy hats and paid little attention to the shape, insisting that if the airy piece of headgear cost $25 it must be all right. At the bookstores buyers asked for "something nice for a boy of 12 who thought a whole lot of animals," "for a girl of 17 who has just started to high school and doesn't like poetry," or "for an old lady who has poor sight." Of course, the selections were always made, and Christmas shoppers were wound up into the right shudder dressed. He said he had shot himself accidentally. The doctor who attended him would not tell the man's name. Dr. Miller told the police what he had seen and heard, and the police think the wounded was one of the duellists.

Fra Elbertus and His Fiancee

ELBERT HUBBARD.

MISS ALICE L. MOORE,
Of Concord, Mass., Who Is to Marry Elbert Hubbard on January 1.

now overcrowded with extra holiday traffic. The postoffice and the express depots are burdened with the increased business.

PASSED BAD CHECKS.

Alleged Soap Agent Arrested by East End Police—Had Money Under Carpet.

E. J. Keane, 22 years of age, who says that he is the agent for Colgate & Co., soap manufacturers, was arrested yesterday afternoon by the East End police at Penn and Franklstown avenues, for passing three froged checks for $10 each. His room at 5825 Broad street, where he lived, was searched and $7 found under the carpet and a number of torn checks. He admitted his guilt to Inspector William Boyle. One of the checks was passed on Thomas Lynch of the Liberty market, another on M. J. Dick, a grocer of 6392 Penn avenue and another on Haugh & Keenan at Center and Euclid avenues. The latter chick, which like the others, was signed "Colgate & Co.," and indorsed by E. J. Kean, was presented yesterday afternoon. Hugh Murdock, who took the paper, advanced $5, half of its value. He immediately investigated, found that the check was worthless and reported the matter to the police. All of the checks had spaces which Keane filled out with "German National bank." The prisoner said that he came here from Boston four months ago where he had represented Colgate & Co.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

TARENTUM, PA.—Waldeyslaw Nykel, aged 38, was killed at Creighton by a train.

OIL CITY, PA.—Edward Snyder, who escaped from the Warren county jail last August, was captured.

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.—Michael L. Davis, a Baltimore & Ohio railroad fireman, was killed by the Dunbar-se Limited in the yards.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—John Davis and James Ormsby confessed to the police that they were guilty of the wholesale thefts of coats from dance halls.

IRONTON, O.—By a premature explosion of dynamite at the Union Iron & Steel furnace, Nicholas Jones was killed and Patrick Stafford fatally injured.

GREENSBURG, PA.—Rev. W. F. Ulery, D. D., of the Lutheran church, is critically ill from the effects of a paralytic stroke sustained while preaching at Scalp.

BULLETS SPED ACROSS PHYSICIAN'S PATHWAY

Dr. Robert Miller, Encountering Two Duellists, Was Ready to Take a Hand.

Dr. Robert Miller of McKees Rocks came near to being the target of two invisible duellists who were peppering away at each other last night, firing across the roadway.

The doctor was on an emergency call to a patient near Fleming park. As he drove up to the Davis school house he saw the flashes of revolver from each side of the roadway. He waited awhile, but the shooters seemed to have unlimited ammunition and the doctor finally shouted that unless he was allowed to pass he would take a hand in the shooting. Then he pulled his revolver and urged his horse forward.

"Go ahead, Doc, this ain't your funeral!" shouted a voice.

As the doctor proceeded the shooting was resumed. When the doctor came by the school house again he dismounted, but could find no wounded.

About an hour after the shooting a young man, with two companions, called at the office of a McKees Rocks doctor and had a slight bullet wound in the right shoulder dressed. He said he had shot himself accidentally. The doctor who attended him would not tell the man's name. Dr. Miller told the police what he had seen and heard, and the police think the wounded was one of the duellists.

FARMERS TO BUILD A TROLLEY ROAD

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The farmers of Allen township will build an electric line from Allenport, to Roscoe, a distance of four miles. The present terminus of the Pittsburgh & Charleroi line is Allenport. This company has been desirous of extending the line further up the river but the farmers held their land too high. The farmers, however, met the line and organized on a co-operative basis. They have secured a charter.

Soliciting Butler Donations.

S. D. Mitchell of Pittsburgh and M. Sharren of Allegheny, former members of the Homestead strikers' relief fund, have been delegated to collect funds, clothing and provisions for the Butler sufferers by those in charge at the stricken town. Donations can be sent to Mrs. William Kennedy, care of the Red Cross society, Sharman building, Butler, or to M. Sharren, 37 East Robinson street, Allegheny.

MONEY FOR WHITE WINGS IS RAISED

Director Bigelow Draws on His Bank Account and Will Pay Men Today.

LARKIN'S ASSERTION DENIED

Director E. M. Bigelow, as a last resort, has drawn upon his personal bank account for funds to give the "white wings" and other employes of the highways and sewers buoyant their Christmas money. Director Bigelow announced late yesterday afternoon that he had made arrangements to get $27,000 in cash today to pay between 600 and 540 employes of the bureau of highways and sewers. He said the men would be paid today in their districts and that they would not come to the city hall for their money.

The director will have the pay-roll for November made out and he will retain the pay-roll until councils have passed the resolutions transferring money from other bureaus to that of highways and sewers. Resolutions are pending in councils for the transfer of $20,000 to the department of public works.

The pay-roll for December will also fall due soon, and there will be no funds unless councils take action speedily on the transfer resolutions. An acrimonious dispute still rages between Controller John H. Larkin and Councilman W. H. Stevenson on one side and Councilman M. G. Leslie on the other.

The statement of Controller Larkin that Director A. H. Leslie, brother of Councilman Leslie, had transferred $520,000 last year in the public safety department was flatly denied yesterday by the former public safety director. Former Director Leslie said:

The transfers of the department of public safety last year amounted to only $107,500, and not $520,000, as the controller states. Of this amount $47,500 was taken from the contingent fund and given to the bureau of buildings, and $60,000 from the contingent fund was provided for just such an extraordinary occasion as arose.

This year there was no contingent fund and none have been made use of, nothing but the fulfillment fund and other funds. Last year $60,000 was transferred from the bureau of police and the bureau of fire, but I did not go outside of the department. All the money went to the bureau of health to combat the smallpox epidemic.

Councilman Leslie went after Controller Larkin and the finance committee again in vigorous fashion. He said:

I think that 20 to 25 transfer resolutions have been introduced in councils. Nothing like this was ever known before. Councilmanic reform is the cry, and yet the pending resolutions because some explanation regarding them was wanted and nobody offered to give one. No one wants to keep wages from employes, but Controller Larkin should have known last May or June just as well as he knows in November or December what was going to happen.

The transfer ordinance ought to have been passed long ago and not at the last minute. The appropriation ordinances for this year were the worst ever formulated in the city of Pittsburg. The finance committee and the councilmen were told that they were not allowing enough money to run the city, and they can blame themselves for the present condition of affairs.

The full facts about economical administration and the saving of money in the bureau of police. The money saved in that bureau was saved at the fire of the Rees and the prosperity of the people of Pittsburgh. Since April the bureau of police has been operating with 60 to 65 less patrolmen than previously, and is it any wonder that there have been numerous highway robberies and burglaries?

Cash Drawer Rifled.

Two negroes entered the store of A. H. Hurley of No. 236 Jones avenue, in the hill district, shortly after 7 o'clock last night and at the point of a revolver compelled Hurley to hand over $196, the contents of his drawer. The men entered the store at different times, and while Hurley was talking to one the other drew a gun and ordered him to throw up his hands. The other man then displayed a gun and Hurley submitted to the rifling of his cash drawer. The police are working on the case.

DETECTIVE AIKIN GETS TWO ALLEGED BURGLARS

Safe in Allegheny Drugstore Cracked and Men Arrested With Goods on Them.

Detective Frank Aiken of Allegheny yesterday ran down two alleged safe-crackers after the safe in the drug store of William Deis, of 2105 Beaver avenue, Allegheny, had been smashed and rifled. The store was entered some time early

Frank Aiken.

yesterday morning and when Deis opened the store shortly before 7 o'clock he found that one of the doors of the safe for on the floor, having had a large crowbar that had been used for a prying the inner doors. The cash register had been broken and $25 had been taken out. All that was in the safe, some old coins and some stamps, was carried away.

Shortly after the robbery Detective Frank Aiken and Police Sergeant Jacob Belle were put to work on the case. In a Woods Run saloon Aiken arrested Archibald McCarroll of 29 Hudson street who was trying to sell a number of rare coins. Frank Moore, Allen Bauman, McClure, a riverman, who is said to run with McCarroll, was located in another saloon, and when Aiken and Le Belle entered the place, he ran out the rear door toward the river. He was getting into a skiff at the foot of Greenwood street when overtaken.

FUNERAL PARTY ARRESTED.

Wake Grows Too Noisy for Soho Street and Is Moved to Police Station.

Pat Conley's wake over the body of an infant child, which was begun Tuesday night at his house at 1 Soho street, was terminated early yesterday morning by the Oakland police, when every member of the party was arrested for disorderly conduct. The funeral of the child, which took place during the afternoon, instead of concluding the morning gave new life to the noisy party. Then drinking in honor of the dead the wake was turned into a general revelry of hilarity. The neighbors objected and appealed to the police. Inspector Milton E. Bailey with Lieut. Robert Hammett and a policeman raided the house at 8:30 o'clock, arresting Conley and his wife, Pat Beatty of Robinson street, Steve Kennedy of the same street, Martin Joyce and his wife of Fisher street, John Joyce of Forbes street and Miss Mary Kennedy of Soho street. Some of the prisoners were so intoxicated that they had to be dragged to the patrol wagon. They were held without bail.

Gov. White Improving.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Gov. White has arrived here from Philadelphia, where he has been under the care of physicians since the first week in November. He is improving steadily, but will return to Philadelphia after Christmas.

WALSH DENIES MISMANAGEMENT

Executor of Dead Contractor Answers Petition for His Removal.

STORY OF THE CONTRACTS

An answer to the petition of the Fidelity Title & Trust Company to have him removed, was filed in Allegheny Orphans' court yesterday by Attorney William F. Walsh, executor of the estate of John Walsh, contractor, who was killed by the falling of the Wilkins avenue bridge. He denies a portion, denies all of the charges and avers that J. S. Bowler, father-in-law of the dead contractor, and the latter's interest many, is the real [illegible] charges made.

Walsh avers the will made while his brother was on his deathbed includes provision for the filling of no necessary or appointment. He says the brother asked him to take the contracts, then pending, and finish them as the estate might be financially able. The bond required contract, the answer avers, was furnished with the work, however, the bond to the sum of $2,000 as the personal credit to do so. The Fidelity Trust company used up as much as $40,000 of the personal credit to do so. The answer avers he is ready to supply the court with a detailed statement of the work or a supplementary inventory.

He denies the defendant had a contract with H. W. Oliver and says he was unable to find any papers showing the defendant had any contract with P. W. Shiffert. He says he learned Dec. 7 what the interests were and that the bond required that each of the contractors be represented to the creditors' court by proceedings of which notice was furnished to anyone.

He denies that the sale of the Shiffert contract was fairly conducted and says the property brought in an inadequate amount and that his wife bought a bid for $22, a second for $31 and a third for $35, to keep them from being sold for $20, to keep them from being sold for $20, to keep them from being sold for $20

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"PITTSBURGH PHIL" WILL FIGHT JOCKEY CLUB

SCANLON CASE HAS QUEER LOOK

Pittsburgh Club Officials Think Hold-Up Scheme Was Being Worked by Ilion Club.

DREYFUSS IN ANGRY MOOD

It seems passing strange that so shrewd a baseball man as Barney Dreyfuss, who has been looked upon as the brains of the National league, who is the president of a three-time pennant winner and who has not only put through some of the slickest deals ever made in baseball and is regarded as the very best authority in the land on young players, should be singled out as the victim of a player scheme, but that is what has happened and the aforesaid Dreyfuss is as chary as a wet hen thereat.

This alleged bunco scheme has developed in the case of Pitcher Scanlon, who has just been returned to the rolls of the Ilion club of the New York State league by the National commission, a full account of which was published in these columns yesterday morning. This action on the part of the National commission was quite a surprise, not only to the local followers of the game, but to the club officials as well, who do not dispute the right of the commission in its ruling, but who are somewhat taken aback at the action of the owners of the Ilion club, who are said to be working a sort of a hold-up game and who have been successful to that extent that they have had returned to them a pitcher who was already sold to another club.

It developed yesterday that the deal for the services of Pitcher Scanlon was made with Howard Earl, the manager of the Ilion club, who not only named the price for the player released but accepted the same and then sent the player on here for trial. The showing made by young Scanlon in the one game here seems to have inspired the owners of the club with a money-making idea and they have republished the deal made by Manager Earl and set up a claim that he had no authority to enter into any deal of the kind. In the meantime, Scanlon having made a satisfactory showing was regularly signed to a Pittsburgh club contract and to all intents and purposes was a regular member of the Pittsburgh team.

It was a great surprise to the president of the local club was astonished to receive notice from the owners of the Ilion club repudiating the deal made by Manager Earl and notifying him that if he desired to secure Scanlon for Ilion it would be necessary to enter into a new deal and a price about double the amount originally paid for the player was asked. The Ilion people were apparently through as was until after the expiration of the drafting season to put their little scheme into execution. The owner of the Pirates sent back word that he was amazed at the action of the Ilion club owners and so far as he was concerned he refused to be a victim of a hold-up game.

In the meantime the Pirates owner having failed to renew the deal the Ilion owners appealed to the National commission to have Scanlon's name removed from the reserve list of the Pittsburgh club and returned to their team, as the purchase price had not been paid and the commission acted favorably on that branch of the request. As the matter stands now Scanlon is still the property of the Ilion club and can be sold by that club to the highest bidder and the chances are that there will be a demand for him, as he is one of the most promising young pitchers developed in years. It is not known if the Pittsburgh club will matched the Ilion offer by paying the new purchase price, as President Dreyfuss is still in the east, but at last accounts he was too angry at the Ilion club owners to do any business with them.

PATTERSON THE STAR.

Notre Dame Player Put Up Fine Game for P. A. A. Seven.

Harry Patterson of the Notre Dame university hockey team was the star performer in last evening's game between the P. A. A. seven and the Beechwoods at Duquesne Garden. Patterson played as forward for P. A. A. and he shot the second goal which beat Beechwood, 2 to 1. Beechwood scored in the first half, and in the second half Patterson took the rubber down the ice and passed to Elwood for goal. With three minutes to play Patterson got the puck at his goal and dashed down the field and shot the deciding goal. Lineup.

P. A. A.—2. Beechwood—1.

Lewis ..... Goal ..... Lyons
Davis ..... Point ..... Marshall
Patterson ..... Forward ..... Pierce
N. Hamilton ..... Forward ..... Stewart
V. Hamilton ..... Center ..... Willard
Elwood ..... Rover ..... Langford
Wing ..... Right Wing ..... Mueller
V. Hamilton ..... Left Wing ..... Langford

Goals—Patterson, Elwood, Mueller.

SHAKES UP TEAM.

Manchester Five, Because of Losing Streak, Will Get New Players.

Manager Little of the Manchester team has decided that his team needs a shaking up. He has secured Ellett, formerly captain of the Westminster College five. The latter is more than six feet in height. He will be on deck tomorrow night for the Buffalo game and will be used if necessary. In addition to this new man, Manager Little announces that he will line his players up differently from the usual line up. In this way he hopes to overcome the weak points in the team's defense.

The game scheduled for tomorrow night with the German Y. M. C. A. five of Buffalo, N. Y., is expected to be the best of the season. A preliminary to the game will be played by the Manchester Juniors and the Railroad team.

St. Paul Seven Is Beaten.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Embryo hockey experts, representing St. Paul's school of Concord, N. H., and the Pomfert school of Connecticut, played an interesting game at the Ice Palace rink tonight. Victory went to the Nutmeg state lads by 3 goals to 2. The lineup:

Pomfert—3		St. Pauls—2.
Dana	Goal	Anderson
Vinton	Point	Willetts
S. Wagstaff	Cover Point	Buchanan
Hazeltine	Forward	Beste
G. Wagstaff	Center	Irving
Pell	Right Wing	Seamans
Cooper	Left Wing	Cox

Referee—H. Hazeltine, Hockey Club of New York.

Allentown Beats St. Vincent.

At Allentown Turner hall the St. Vincent College team was defeated by the Allentown A. C. in the fast game of hockey played here last night by a score of 2 to 0 in Allentown's favor. Line-up:

St. V. College—3.		Allentown B. B. C.—12.
Wilson	Forward	Tregeser
Wolfe	Forward	Johnston
Horan	Center	Johnston
Dennis	Goal	Yoeh
Gallen	Goal	Lobert

Goal from field—Tregeser, Johnston 2, Curley 3, Lobert, Gallitz, Referee—F. Lober.

St. Casimirs Want Game.

The St. Casimirs has a strong pool team and it wants to hear from all strong pool teams in Western Pennsylvania, at home or abroad. Would like to hear from Polish A. C. of South Side, Emerald A. C., Duquesne A. C., Chutes or any other strong team. The players are: F. Nawrock, J. Pokowski, F. Makowski and A. Mankowski. The St. Casimirs also have a strong bowling team, and would like to hear from all strong teams in or out of the city. Address St. Casimir club, Twenty-second and Smallman streets, city.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Allentown basketball team defeated the Homestead Third team last night in the latter's hall 12 to 8.

The Tenth U. P. basketball team will play a strong team on Monday, December 28. The game will be given minstrel fashion, expenses.

The Trentons would like to hear from all strong 15 to 16-year-old teams having hats. The team is considerably strengthened by the addition of several new players, who showed up well in the game with Wilkinsburg. Address A. Meagher, 15 Trent street, city.

The Lincoln basketball team would like to hear from some strong team in Western Pennsylvania, at home or abroad. Would like to play on Lyceum floor. The Junior team would like to hear from some junior team for the 26th. For information regarding last game address Thomas Collins, 50 Manager Lyceum team, Washington street, city.

The Friendship five would like to hear from the following teams in regard to games for the coming season: Fidos, Victorias, Fidos, Watch dogs, Zeiglers of Verner, and other 14 or 16-year-old teams having balls. Address Walter Irwin, 1004 Allegheny avenue. All letters must be mailed by Monday evening.

The Vernas would like to hear from the manager of the Vernas and Norman cups, as they intended to call on him Dec. 26th. Bell 'phone. Ask for Lewin, manager of the Friendship.

PHIL LEWIS WILL NOT PLAY PROFESSIONAL BALL

Cornell's Famous Shortstop Intends to Remain Amateur Until Graduated.

Phil Lewis, the Cornell shortstop, who is regarded as the leading college player in the east at his position, will not play professional ball until he is graduated at Cornell, and then he may not accept any of the many offers which he has received. Among the clubs seeking his service is the St. Louis Nationals, but even the alluring figure which it puts to him may not be the cause of his deciding to lay aside his work on an engineer when through college.

Lewis got home yesterday morning from Cornell to spend his holiday vacation. He is nursing a sore arm, which he contracted at the tag end of last season while playing exhibition games in the eastern part of this state. The Elmira club got the consent of Cornell for him to play with it on a trip. The team played at Harrisburg, Williamsport and other places.

Lewis and Cyl Poston, another member of the Cornell hockey team, may play with P. A. A. against Princeton and Yale here.

Coach Ellis Ward of the U. of P. crews will begin next year's training January 6, and one of the features of the season's work is the fact that the men will be required to run cross-country for two weeks before they are placed upon the rowing machines.

Cornell has offered to Al Sharp, Yale's former athlete, the position of director of the new gymnasium, which is about completed.

CRESCENTS ARE OUTPLAYED.

Irvings Shot Five Goals in Second Half and Now Leads the League.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Tie.	Pct.
Irvings	1	0	0	1.000
Crescents	0	0	1	.000
Library	0	0	1	.000

The Irvings won from the Crescents in the second scheduled games of the Duquesne Amateur Hockey league last evening at Duquesne garden by the decisive score of 6 to 1. The score at the end of the first half was 1 to 1, but the Irvings skating away from the Crescents in the second half and shot five goals. The next game will be played New Year's morning between the Irvings and Library seven.

Lineup of last evening's game:

Irvings—6.		Crescents—1.
Chandler	Goal	Lady
Stewart	Point	Kenny
Harner	Cover Point	Mueller
Beegle	Forward	Wilson
Myers	Center	Fleming
E. Robinson	Right Wing	Locklin
R. Robinson	Left Wing	Orr

Goals—E. Robinson 3, R. Robinson 2, Beegle, Locklin.

LOCALS IN WESTERN.

Fleming, Formerly of New Castle, Third Best Hitter in League.

The official averages of the Western league have been announced. Lee Fohl, the local catcher, who was with Des Moines, hit at .296, and Bill Marshall, the old Homestead catcher, swatted the ball at .284. Marshall goes to the Philadelphia Nationals the coming year, where he may be put on first base, a position which he played some while at Homestead. Marshall is a harder hitter than his average indicates.

Frank Gatins, the Wilmerding shortstop, who was with Milwaukee, Indianapolis and Pittsburg, a former New Castle middle fielder, who was with Colorado Springs, was the third best hitter in the league, showing an average of .308. The averages of the players mentioned, save Marshall's, follow:

	G.	A.B.	H.	S.H.	S.B.	Pct.
Fleming	129	533	180	19	39	.338
Fohl	119	429	122	9	14	.284
Gatins	89	344	98	12	26	.285

GARDEN BOYS VICTORIOUS.

Defeat Highland A. C. in Close Hockey Game by a 2 to 1 Score.

The Highland hockey team was beaten by the Garden Boys' seven yesterday at noon at Duquesne garden, 2 to 1. The Garden Boys, who play a fast game, shot both their goals in the second half, the Highlands scoring in the opening session. Kopf and Gunther shot goals for the winners from scrimmages. Koch and Cooper played well for the Garden Boys. The line-up:

Garden Boys—2		Highland A. C.—1.
Johnson	Goal	Jacobs
Krimbler	Point	Langdon
Gunther	Cover Point	Taylor
Cooper	Forward	Wilson
Koch	Forward	Foster
Page	Right Wing	Vowinckle
Ransey	Left Wing	Normecutt

Goals—Koch, C. Gunther, Foster. Referee—Dick Wilson, P. A. C.

BLAZEK CREATS A NEW INDIVIDUAL MARK

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The local individual bowling record in competition was beaten this week by Blazek, a member of the New Castle bowling team, who scored an average of 206⅔ in three games. The best previous local individual record was made by Glass, who averaged 205 2-3.

C. A. C. Beats All Stars.

On the Carnegie A. C. floor at Braddock last night the old C. A. C. team defeated the Homestead All Stars 27 to 25. The All Stars was composed of H. L. A. C. players. The game was close throughout and kept the 250 people in attendance in an uproar. The goal shooting of Nevland of the C. A. C. five was one of the features. Lineup:

C. A. C.—27.		All Stars—25.
Nevland	Guard	Luppold
Farr	Guard	Brenner
Scritchfield	Center	Brown
Rosenbloom	Forward	Adams
Hinderer	Forward	Stule

Substitution—Wilson for Brown, Rogers for Rosenbloom. Goals from field—Nevland 8, Hinderer 3, Rosenbloom 3, Stule 4, Adams 2, Brown 2, Hager 2, Wilson 1, Scritchfield 1. Goals from fouls—Hinderer 5, Adams 4. Referees—Crawford. Umpire—Cartwright. Time of halves—25 minutes.

McClelland Will Meet Hanlon.

The manager of Jimmy Hanlon, the fighting marine, sends word that Hanlon will do 130 pounds at 2 o'clock for Jack McClelland. Mr. McClelland's manager said last night he had made up his mind to put Jef Jack meet any more lightweights when he can do 124 pounds easily, but as many local matter were fighting about Hanlon making short work of McClelland if they met, he would take him on at the 130 pounds weight at 2 o'clock, which really is 126 ringside to any one who will gain weight. Forfeits will be posted today by both parties. The contest will take place New Year's night here this city.

Will Meet at Duquesne.

Eddie Kennedy and Mull Bower will meet in a 10-round boxing contest at Duquesne tonight, the opera house there having been rented for the occasion by the Duquesne Athletic club. Considerable interest is being manifested regarding the place where the bout would be pulled off, but it was made public last night. It is said to be one of the best pieces for a boxing contest.

St. Louis Gets a Catcher.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—George Glaiscale, who caught last season for the Colorado Springs club, now belongs to the St. Louis club, according to a decision handed down today by President August Herrmann and Ben Johnson of the National commission. The evidence showed there was no reserve clause in the player's contract.

Fatal Ending of Sleighing Party.

DETROIT, Dec. 23.—One of the United States commissary sleighs from Fort Wayne bearing a sleighing party of soldiers and young women, was struck by a Third avenue trolley car tonight. Sergt. James F. Lockwood of Company F, First infantry, was killed. Miss May Williams is likely to die from internal injuries.

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WILL FIGHT IT OUT IN COURT

"Pittsburgh Phil" Is After Jockey Club Stewards and Means to Force Recognition.

HAS PUBLIC SYMPATHY

(Special Telegram to The Gazette.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—"Pittsburgh Phil" said today in regard to the action of the board of stewards of the Jockey club: "I am not through yet. I haven't decided upon my course."

While "Pittsburgh Phil" is reticent about his future plans, his intimate friends say that he will fight the action of the Jockey club to the finish. It is said that he intends taking the matter out of the racing tribunals into the courts of law, and that he will not stop as long as an appeal will lie to a court of higher jurisdiction. The original ban was placed upon "Pittsburgh Phil's" horses last summer. At that time he declared in an interview that Andrew Miller was responsible for the action of the board of stewards, and intimated that the trouble arose over a question of jockeys.

"Pittsburgh Phil" declared that early in the season he had refused the use of his jockey, Willie Shaw, to the steward. Mr. Miller denied the truth of the plunger's statements. The racing men are in sympathy with the plunger, and even the bookmakers, who have been hit hard and often by him, are on his side.

They think there is something more back of the refusal to allow Smith to race than was exposed in the declaration of the stewards at the time of their original action. All attempts on his part to obtain irrevocation of the order have been unavailing.

WARM GAME PROMISED.

Victorias Play the Reorganized Keystone Seven Tonight.

The Victoria and Keystone hockey teams will come together at Duquesne garden tonight. The Keystones were out at the garden last night practicing and put up a fast game. Fields, Richardson, Melville and Young were in splendid form and showed that it was their intention to make tonight's game will not be a one-sided contest. The Vics will put up their usual fast article. The lineup will probably be:

Victorias		Keystone.
Mackay	Goal	Richardson
Spittal	Point	Melville
Duval	Cover Point	Young
Sixsmith	Right Wing	Bright
Henry	Left Wing	Young
Sixsmith	Center	Taylor
Rodgers	Rover	Fields

Manager McSwigan of Duquesne garden yesterday received a letter from Charlie Edition of Montreal, who played with the Rangers last season, offering his services. The letter was well filled with silver coin as a result.

McClelland Boxes Engles.

Jack McClelland and George Engle boxed six rounds last night at East Pittsburgh. There was no decision given, although McClelland had the better of the argument.

LOCAL POSTOFFICE MAKES PHENOMENAL RECORD

Postmaster Holliday Prepares Report Showing the Wonderful Business Growth Since 1898.

Business at the Pittsburgh postoffice has increased so rapidly that the profit this year is $107,689 79 more than the gross receipts of the office in 1898, when Postmaster G. L. Holliday took charge. In a report compared by the postmaster for this year he shows that, while the business of the local office has had a phenomenal growth, the expense of operating the office has been decreasing yearly until the percentage of expense to the receipts last fiscal year was but 68.1, which is reduced to 33. This rate is the lowest of the 12 largest cities in the country. This year the gross receipts were $1,107,109 94, or $611,513 96 more than in 1898.

In the registry department there were 145,017 registries paid, an increase of 27 per cent over 1902. The fees amounted to $11,599 76. In the money order department for June of this year the business amounted to $3,103,878 35, against $804,509 92 in the same month in 1898. The business of the local office is handled by 247 clerks, 298 carriers and 63 special delivery messengers.

BARBER AND BUCHTEL SAWED FOR CHARITY

Multi-Millionaire and Octogenarian Legislator Provide Fun to Help Salvation Army.

(Special Telegram to The Gazette.)

AKRON, O., Dec. 23.—Representative William Buchtel, aged 81 years, Ohio's oldest legislator; Ohio Barber, president of the Diamond Match Company, and so rich he does not know his own wealth, and Judge C. R. Grant, a well-known local politician, sawed wood with a genuine sawbuck and buckssaw on this city's busiest street today. This was done to help along the fund for the Salvation Army's movement to provide a Christmas dinner for the poor. Mr. Buchtel, seated in his bank a few days ago saw that the army's kettle in which contributions were received, was not well patronized. He bearded Judge Grant to engage in a woodsawing contest to draw a crowd, and the Judge accepted.

Later Mr. Barber caught the spirit of the occasion and offered his services. The kettle was well filled with silver coin as a result.

Altoona Sells Its Bonds.

ALTOONA, PA., Dec. 23.—This city through Mayor S. M. Hoyer, sold $250,000 worth of bonds today to Hayden, Miller & Co. of Cleveland, O., at a premium of $2,762.50. The money will be used to repay a paving loan carrying 6 per cent interest. The new bonds bring only 4 per cent.

Carnegie Helps a Church.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The congregation of the Fourth Presbyterian church of Washington, Pa., has received word stating that Andrew Carnegie has agreed to bear half the expenses of placing a pipe organ in the building.

Tradesmen Give Duchess Wedding Gift.

DUNBAR, SCOTLAND, Dec. 23.—The town council at Broxmouth Park today presented an address of welcome, enclosed in a silver casket, to the duke and duchess of Roxburghe, and the tradesmen gave them a handsome clock as a wedding present.

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HANS WAGNER'S ALL-STARS SLAUGHTER M'DONALD

Big Pirate Leads in Assault on Home Five, Which Has 65 Points Scored Against It.

Hans Wagner's All Star basketball team opened its season last night, playing the McDonald five at McDonald. It was a good start for the All Stars, as they literally swept the home team off the floor, winning by the top score of 65 to 2.

Dickson, the Homestead player, had 14 goals from field, while the passing of Wagner took the spectators by storm. The lineup:

All Stars—65.		McDonald—2.
H. Wagner	Forward	Langdale
Dickson	Forward	Drennan
Steele	Center	Orme
Seibel	Guard	C. Sweeney
Campbell	Guard	F. Sweeney

Field goals—Dickson 14, H. Wagner 2, Campbell 4, Steele 2, Lamps 7, Seibel 2, H. Wagner, Drennan, Doyle—Dickson 1. Substitutions—Campbell for H. Wagner, A. Wagner for Campbell, Lamps for Steele, Orme for F. Sweeney. Referee—Luckhardt.

BOTH IN FINE SHAPE.

"Young Corbett" and Eddie Hanlon Are Ready to Put Up a Fast Battle.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Sporting men are eager to formulate a line on the fight that is to be. In the cases of "Young Corbett" and Eddie Hanlon, the physical condition of the two lads is being more discussed just at present than the outcome of the fight. The followers of the game are laying a foundation, as it were, for the betting that is to follow.

It is the general opinion that each of the youngsters is in grand shape. There was never a question in regard to the way Hanlon would come out in his training. Eddie is a clever fighting Boy, who neither smokes nor drinks nor keeps late hours. He is a sturdy little chap and a natural athlete on whom the desk does not pile up in the between seasons. The impression prevails, however, that "Young Corbett" will toe the scratch for the coming fight in better shape than ever. He is, in appearance, so trim and clean-cut, that it is easy for the casual observer to note the improvement in him. "Corbett" himself is thoroughly imbued with the idea that he is going into the ring in perfect condition for the fight of his life.

Out at the camp, every member of the champion declares that "Young Corbett" is as fit as a fiddle and he certainly looks the part. He rose from his cot this morning at 6 and a little while this morning and he also enjoyed a roll in the surf this afternoon. After lunch, he pulled and mauled with Billy Otto for an hour and pounded the light and heavy bags. It was announced today that he weighed 134 pounds.

Sterlings Defeated Etna.

Sterling defeated Etna last night, 39 to 16, in a game which was a battle royal. The game last night was attended by a large crowd who enjoyed it immensely, the Etna team playing fine, being applause all the way. Fifty points. Rodgers and Yoedt played a nice dribbling game. C. Alperman, Gift and Kurtz played best for Etna. Referee Jones of Etna handled the game in fine style, being ably assisted by Thompson.

Sterling—39.		Etna—16.
McMahan	Forward	C. Alperman
Lowry	Forward	Dreiman
Rodgers	Center	Eisengart
Bertges	Guard	F. Alperman
Yoedt	Guard	C. Kurtz

Goals from field—Rodgers 2, Lawry 4, Carter 2, Bertges 4, Criswell 2, Yoedt, C. Alperman 3, Gift 2, F. Alperman 3. Goals from foul—McMahon 5. Substitution—Criswell for Sutter. Referee—Jones. Umpire—Thompson.

Today's Tips at New Orleans.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The American and Journal New Orleans selections: Best bets—Parisienne, Sarah Maxim, Scorpio, all straight.

First—Parisienne, Miss Hume.
Second—Sarah Maxim, The Regent.
Third—Whitmore, Ravigo.
Fourth—Lady Free Knight, Julia M.
Fifth—Scorpio, Sadjucee.
Sixth—Pugilist's Favorite, Gus Heidern.

Eclipse Defeats Verners.

The Eclipse A. C. defeated the Verner A. C. last night, 18 to 12. The features were the guarding of Allen and the goal shooting of Fullen and Newell. Lineup:

Eclipse—18.		Verner—12.
Newell	Forward	Fullen
Grey	Forward	Hicks
Smith	Center	Wilkins
Carey	Guard	Sanore
Allen	Guard	Mitchell

Goals—Newell 5, Fullen 4, Grey 3, Smith, Hicks. Fouls—Fullen 2. Referee—Sieble.

General Melee Stops Fight.

Paddy Murphy of Lawrenceville and Solly Stroup of Gallitzin met at Cresson Springs Tuesday night. The fight was stopped by the police at the end of the sixth round because of a general fight among the spectators. It was an even and fast fight up to the time of the interference.

Bouts at the Foster Club.

The Foster club of Lawrenceville last night held an amateur boxing tournament, which took part in three boxing bouts. Decker and Mooney, Jack Daly and Andy Apple, Young McGuirn and Jack Campbell, Paddy Murphy and Jack Flynn. Dick Burke and John Conlon.

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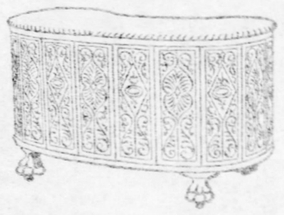

A Library Table As a Christmas Suggestion

The handsome library table shown in the above illustration would make a Christmas present that would be certainly ideal.

Such a desk would be in keeping with the "bookish" taste of the most literary inclined and at the same time prove an ornament that would harmonize with even the most elegant surroundings.

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RECORDS ARE BROKEN BY BOWLERS JOURNAL TEAM

City League Bowlers Do Great Feats in Competition With Latrobe.

Local bowling records went glimmering last night on the new, but fast Fifth Avenue alleys. Charles Trucks, of the Bowlers' Journal team of the City league, rolled three 250-games, the first time it was accomplished in a local match, and for the first time in the history of Pittsburgh bowling one club made two 1,000 scores, which was done by the Bowlers' Journal team. These feats were made in competition with the Latrobe (Pa.) team in an exhibition match. In practice Pittsburgh rolled a 1,042 game. The scores of this match, and others last night follow:

Pittsburgh Bowlers' Journal team—

	1st Game.	2d Game.	3d Game.	Ave.
Trucks	209	250	206	221 2-3
Van Norman	205	194	172	190 1-3
Silvey	179	191		185
Neff		154	154	154
Griffith	166	186	167	173 2-3
Gould	294	254	178	242
Totals	1044	1008	877	976 1-3
Latrobe—				
Semmert	156	181	156	148 1-3
Kohn	172	164	118	151 2-3
Mullen	207	168	208	194 2-3
Campbell	173	219	144	178
Dovey	167	188		177½
Toner			142	142
Totals	875	857	772	834 2-3

EXHIBITION GAME.

Pittsburgh County League—

	1st Game.	2d Game.	3d Game.
Brown	177	142	
Erle	154	188	154
Todd	126	161	129
A. Hoon	146	193	170
Nickel	226	187	216
Totals	829	869	753
Westinghouse—			
Lees	111	180	185
Mansfield	182	190	140
Gardner	193	147	162
Bell	213	145	182
Schumacker	192	218	209
Totals	828	848	847

LIBERTY VALLEY LEAGUE

Youngstown—			
Lewis	160	162	148
F. Brennan	205	185	162
J. Seibel	169		155
Kalloch	190		
R. Brennen	144	160	185
L. Seibel	140	191	170
Totals	763	794	784
Signals—			
Miller	144	127	141
Merkel	139	165	151
Greb	145	153	176
Sohl	155	150	149
Demaine	129	147	151
Totals	694	742	729

Will Have a Ball Team.

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—A movement for the establishment of a baseball team in Washington next summer has been started here among enthusiasts and boarders and the indications are that the new town will be represented by the best team in her history next year. James F. Brownlee, who has successfully conducted affairs for the past two years, will probably be manager.

ONLY ONE FAVORITE.

Huzzah the Only Public Choice to Get Inside the Money at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 23.—Huzzah was the only winning favorite at the Crescent City track today. The defeat of Barbara Frietchie, second from 60 to 5 to 5, was a heavy blow to the talent. Weather clear, track fast.

First race, selling, 1 mile—Richard Ginar, 98, Callahan, 25 to 1, won; Bigone, 95, Davidson, 9 to 1, second; Jake Weber, 106, Minder, 4 to 1, third. Time 1:41 2-5.

Second race, selling, 1¼ miles—Diospray, 87, L. Wilson, 4 to 1, won; Jack Doyle, 101, McClure, 8 to 5, second; Maxey, 91, Robbins, 7 to 1, third. Time 2:08 2-5.

Third race, selling, 1 mile—Capt. Gaines, 104, Minder, 7 to 1, won; Barbara Frietchie, 98, W. Hennessey, 1 to 5, second; Tweedle, 106, Mitchell, 4 to 1, third. Time 1:41 2-5.

Fourth race, handicap, 1 1-16 miles—Huzzah, 103, H. Phillips, 5 to 5, won; Mynlieer, 98, Jout, 15 to 1, second; Ethics, 112, Cochran, 2 to 1, third. Time 1:47.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Palmist, 97, Robbins, 7 to 2, won; Lee Dorsey, 108, W. Hennessy, 5 to 1, second; Invincible, 103, H. Phillips, 6 to 1, third. Time 1:16.

Sixth race, selling, 1 mile—Chimneys, 102, H. Phillips, 6 to 1, won; St. Wood, 104, Minder, 5 to 1, second; Blue Blaze, 99, Livingston, 15 to 2, third. Time 1:42.

THE INGLESIDE RACES.

Track in Poor Shape and Favorites Fared Badly.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—Favorites fared badly at Ingleside today, and the 30 bookmakers in line had much the better of the argument. The weather was perfect, but the track was dead. Hockaway was a one to three chance for the 2-year-old race, but Meridon took the purse with ease, winning by half a length. Misty's Pride was plunged on in the third race and led all the way.

First race, 5½ furlongs—Sterling Towers, 112, Hauck, 6 to 1, won; Bonnie Bird, 105, Cottrell, 25 to 1, second; Elfin King, 107, Hauck, 4 to 1, third. Time 1:08½.

Second race, ¾ mile, 2-year-olds—Meridon, 110, Dolley, 10 to 1, won; Hockaway, 110, T. Burns, 1 to 3, second; Instructor, 105, G. Bullman, 50 to 1, third. Time 1:13¾.

Third race, 1 mile, selling—Misty's Pride, 100, Hauck, 3 to 1, won; Mendenhall, 97, J. Bullman, 6 to 1, second; Pierce J., 108, Foley, 20 to 1, third. Time 1:42.

Fourth race, mile and 50 yards, selling—Arthur Ray, 107, Hauck, 15 to 1, second; I. O. U., 104, Larson, 4 to 1, third. Time 1:48¾.

Fifth race, 1 mile, selling—Ada N., 111, Hauck, 3 to 1, won; Wee Mac, 104, Walsh, 6 to 1, second; Chorus Boy, 101, Foley, 2 to 1, third. Time 1:29½.

Sixth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Silver Tint, 104, Hauck, 3 to 1, won; Vesuvius, 108, Hildebrand, 4 to 1, second; Kitty Kelly, 104, Hauck, 5 to 2, third. Time 1:51.

BACK TO THE TURF.

"All Scarlet" of Morris Brothers to Be Seen Again.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The famous racing stable of Morris Brothers is again to be seen on the turf. After a few years of retirement the brothers have decided to again return to the scene of their former triumphs.

Alfred H. Morris today declared his intention and that of his brother, David H. Morris, to return to the turf. "In a small way, of course," said Mr. Morris, "but one cannot tell how far our love for the sport will carry us."

WINTER RESORTS AND OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

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SOCIETY

THE SPIRIT of Merry Christmas pervaded the whole atmosphere at Mr. and Mrs. George Lauder's hall, given last evening at the Pittsburgh club. The honor guest was their debutante daughter, Miss Elizabeth Broom Lauder. Miss Lauder, in a gown of white net embroidered with silver and relieved with a touch of green, received with her mother, who was gowned in spangled white net. Mrs. James Greenway of New York, the Miss Lauder of the period, completed the receiving party. Mrs. Greenway appeared in a gown of black net trimmed with jet.

Fifty guests were danced during the evening, two before and two after supper. Miss Lauder and her cousin, Eugene L. Mosser, opened the ball. Clifton Reynolds and Miss Frances Kay Oliver and Miss Marion Clarke, Darsie Gest and Miss Nancy Carnegie leading the remaining three figures. The favors were especially pretty. For the girls there were little satin bags of Venetian beads, cerise muslin canes surmounted by red bells and gay trimmings and enameled buttonhooks, while the men received gold pencils tied with bright ribbons, brilliant ashes, cigar rolls and little snow men of sticks. The floors appeared on racks covered with gold and white paper muslin, the racks being tied with bright ribbons and dirsel and some having tiny bells. A number of Mrs. Lauder's friends aided her in distributing the favors.

The supper room was decorated in a most artistic manner. A thick curtain of evergreen hung over the stage, at the base of which were small tropical plants.

Circle evergreen festoons effect above the tables, while on each table was a centerpiece of red carnations. The favors were miniature suit cases, bound with red and filled with bonbons.

Following the luncheon the afternoon was spent at four-hand euchre. The three prizes, won by Miss Woodside, Miss Hamilton and Miss Walsh, were articles suitable to carry back to school.

Braddock Weddings.

Miss Bertha Souder McKeever, only daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. E. I. McKeever, and Lawson Edward Houck, both of Duquesne, will be married this evening at 7 o'clock in the First Baptist church of Braddock, of which the bride's father is pastor. Rev. Mr. McKeever will give his daughter away and also perform the marriage ceremony.

Miss Cecelia Dahlia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Englund of Braddock, and Matthew D. Fellvise of North Braddock were married last evening at the parsonage of the First Baptist church by the Rev. Dr. William G. Reagle. The bridal couple left last evening for a tour in the east, and after their return will go to housekeeping in Mills Avenue, Braddock.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Reid, daughter of Mrs. Josephine Reid, was married last evening to James P. Hogg at the home of the bride, in Carnegie, Pa., the Rev. Charles Hall, pastor of the Christian church, performed the ceremony. The bridegroom is employed in the engineering department of the H. C. Frick Coke Company. Many from Pittsburgh attended the wedding.

Anderson—McNary.

The wedding of Miss Mildred Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, to Dr. John Foster McNary, formerly of Pittsburg, took place yesterday noon at 12 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 492 Marshall street, Milwaukee, Wis., only relatives and intimate friends being present. Miss Cornelia Green attended the bride as maid of honor, and the bridesmaids were Miss Florence Cavin, Miss Nellie Baker, Miss Helen Critchfield and Miss Agnes Wright. Dr. William McNary was best man and the groomsmen were William C. McNary of Pittsburgh, Neil Anderson, Harry Cookeland and Dr. Edwin Elton of Sonosha.

Farmington Aid Society Treat.

The members of the Farmington Aid society will meet in Cyclorama hall, Allegheny, this afternoon to celebrate the Christmas tree for the treat which will be given this afternoon at 2 o'clock. At that time the society will entertain 450 children, giving each child a toy and a box of candy, and providing them with ice cream and cake. The committee to entertaining the children the society will send a Christmas dinner to 25 families in Allegheny. Master James Wood Scully, jr., will be Santa Claus and will distribute the gifts. Forest Hamilton Harmar Denny, jr., who in past years has played the role of the jovial saint.

Holiday House Guests.

Miss Margaret Swindell of Baltimore will be the house guest of Miss Adeline Specht, of Anderson, avenue, over the holidays. Miss Swindell and her sister, Miss Jane Swindell, will arrive in the city on Saturday, the latter to visit Miss Jennie Boggs and the former with Mrs. Hugh Speer.

Miss Ellen Sellers is to be a house guest Miss Nora Graves of Bennington, Vt. Miss Graves was a schoolmate of Miss Sellers at Miss Baldwin's school in the east.

A Debutante Tea.

A bevy of young girls, among them a large number of debutantes, made the Hotel Schenley a pleasant gathering place yesterday afternoon, when Miss Rachel McMasters Miller gave a small 4 o'clock tea for Miss Georgia Neale Heard and Miss Elizabeth McCleave, Watson's Run. The private suite at the top of the stairs was prettily decorated with chrysanthemums, some very pretty effects being produced in the shape of city and church windows, pillow and windows. Miss Miller was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Mortimer C. Miller. Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Evemont Stock and Mrs. Alexander M. Jenkinson, who poured tea.

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School Girl Euchre.

Miss Elizabeth Doyle of Craig street gave a euchre yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Nella Fanning of Louisville, Ky., the guest of Miss Helen Doyle Green. The game was six-hand euchre, played at six tables. There were no decorations, as the affair was very informal. The prizes were won by Miss Alice Monroe, Miss Amy Normecutt and Miss Anna Welsh.

Skating Party on New Year's Day.

Mrs. Alexander Bates has cards out for a skating party which she will give for her son, Elwood Bates, on New Year's day in Duquesne garden. Mr. Bates is home from St. Mary's college, in Portland, Or.

Engagement Announced.

Mrs. Anna Gleffer of Howe street announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Anna Converse, and Samuel Beech Kelly of Sewickley.

TEACHERS SEND MURDERER BOXES OF CHOCOLATES

Visited and Sympathized With Kruger Who Will Hang Up a Christmas Stocking.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

GREENSBURG, Dec. 23.—Charles E. Kruger, the murderer who is to be hanged Thursday, January 14, will celebrate his 29th birthday tomorrow. He will hang his stocking in the death cell.

He expects to be remembered by people who have taken compassion on him because of his unhappy lot.

During the recent county institute over a score of women teachers visited him in the jail and talked with him. He excited the pity of many of them and as a result he has received a number of boxes of chocolates.

SHOPPERS PANIC STRICKEN BY ZANESVILLE FIRE

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Fire broke out in the six-story Shults building this morning on the third floor, and the entire business college, and the 8th floor of the Meredith business college, and did $200 worth of damage. The building is on the busiest corner of the business district, and as the flames swept out of the front and side windows there was a panic among the shoppers in the street.

Zenausage clothing store, on the first floor, suffered $5,000 damage from water. The interior of the Casey dental parlors is totally destroyed. The business college's loss is about $1,000, the damage to the building amounting to about $5,000.

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY.

—Daniel Foley of East street extension, Allegheny, was arrested last night charged with assaulting his wife.

—Edna Lewis of 448 Seventh avenue and Jessie Lasky of 452 Third avenue were arrested yesterday on a charge of illegal liquor selling.

—Eddie Graham of Allegheny was arrested yesterday by John McRoberts on complaint of a physician, who charges that the woman stole a valuable pin from him.

—While trying to extinguish a blaze in a shed in the rear of her home at No. 1718 Fox street, South Side, last night, Mrs. John Tofet had her hands badly burned.

—The annual Christmas treat of the pupils of the Birmingham school took place yesterday, and presents were distributed following the musical and literary entertainment.

—Burglars forced a rear window to the store of P. F. Pecaro on Fifth street early yesterday morning and broke open a cash drawer. The amount of money secured was small.

—Harry Ugrett of South Eighteenth and Josephine streets, reported to the police yesterday that a horse and wagon had been taken from his place of business about 3:30 in the afternoon.

—DEDICATORY—The congregation of the Mt. Washington Methodist Episcopal church, corner of Virginia avenue and Shiloh street, will dedicate its new pipe organ to-day. Rev. Andrew Carnegie presented the church with $1,750 in part payment for the instrument.

—Charles Hall, a watchman on the Ontario and Western railway line, was robbed of a wallet containing $50 yesterday afternoon. While sitting on a South Side car his pocket had been picked of the wallet and contents.

—John Mansfield of Acorn street and Hazelwood avenue was sent to jail yesterday by Alderman W. P. Armstrong on a charge of larceny preferred by Mary Burgess. It is alleged that Mansfield took $20 from the prosecutrix.

—Mrs. Mary Eberhart, who is employed at the Home of the Incurables, in Butler street, was thrown from a car on the Butler street electric line last night and sustained a severe scalp wound. She was removed to the West Penn hospital.

—Martin Barbier of Chateau, Butler county, had his right side and shoulder badly injured about 6 o'clock last night by being struck by a West Penn train at Bennett station. He was taken to the Allegheny General hospital.

—Charles Cheney, aged 27, of Orchard street, Knoxville, was arrested last night, charged by Mrs. Ella Tierney of 2207 Jane street, South Side, with having entered her house and rung the bell, hoping to be asked in. Before Mrs. Tierney let him in she had called a police officer, who arrested him. The charge was pushed by a policeman's pistol in the hands of the prisoner.

GOVERNOR HERRICK'S STAFF IS ALL GUARDSMEN

Innovation in the Appointment of Incoming Executive's Military Family.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 23.—Judge Tod B. Galloway, private secretary to Governor-elect Herrick, tonight announced the appointment of the incoming governor's military staff. For the first time in the state's history, the staff includes no civilians and no veterans of the Spanish war. Every member is an officer of the line in the Ohio National Guard now on active duty. The members are:

Lieut. Charles C. Weybrecht, Alliance; Lieut. Col. Orson P. Barker, Fourth infantry, Columbus; Maj. George Cunningham, Sixth, Portsdale; Capt. Frederick M. Fanning, First battalion of engineers, Cleveland; Capt. Julius A. Blasis, Battery A, Cleveland; Capt. James H. Williams, Fifth infantry, Norwalk; Capt. Robert L. Dunning, First infantry, Cincinnati; Capt. George H. Wood, Third infantry, Dayton; Capt. Harry D. Knox, Seventh infantry, Marietta; First Lieut. Harry S. Moulton, Second infantry, Lima; Second Lieut. Otto Miller, Troop A, Cleveland.

The staff officers will retain the title and uniform which they have earned in the state service. The day of civilian generals and colonels of gold lace is past in Ohio.

COUNTRY SCHOOL TEACHERS DEMAND MORE PAY

WASHINGTON, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The school teachers of Amwell township presented demands as to wages to the school board, which they say must be satisfied, or a strike will follow. The teachers receive $40 a month. One teacher resigned and another was secured in her place at $50 a month. The others then claimed that the contract had been violated, and that all should receive a raise. There are 15 schools in the district and they may not resume sessions after the holidays.

One Death from Smallpox.

The death of Edward Moss, 38 years old, colored, of 2018 Butler street, occurred yesterday of smallpox at the Municipal hospital after a six-days' sickness. Three new cases were reported: Roland Harris, 2438 Bismarck street; Mary Waughter, 629 Herron avenue, and William Davis, Fifteenth and Dilworth streets. Nine persons under quarantine at the Fifth avenue hotel, McKeesport, will be allowed to go to their homes tomorrow.

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HUMP PURCHASE COMES TO $50,000

Thomas J. Keenan Buys Lafferty Holdings at Fifth and Sixth Avenues.

SOME GOOD DEALS IN VIRGINIA

Hump property came into prominence again yesterday with the sale of the H. Lafferty holdings at the southeast corner of Fifth and Sixth avenues for $50,000. Thomas J. Keenan secured the property and the deal is credited to the Real Estate Trust Company, although no information regarding it could be obtained at its offices. The plot is irregular in shape, having a frontage of 68.2 feet in Fifth avenue, 61.77 feet in Sixth avenue, with a width on the east side of about 56 feet. There are approximately 4,065 feet in the plot, which brings the price per square foot both for the $16.20. The Sixth Avenue hotel property at Sixth avenue and Grant street which Mr. Keenan bought last spring for $138,000 figured at $23.78 a square foot. On the Lafferty lot are three 4-story brick buildings in front and a 2-story brick store and dwelling in Sixth avenue. These are old, but are well rented. Ten feet will be taken off the Sixth avenue side of the lot by the widening of that thoroughfare. The corner is an excellent busines location and would make a desirable site for a modern business block.

Pittsburghers Buying in Virginia.

Severn P. Carr has recently bought a tract of 1,260 acres of land in Clark county, Va., six miles from Berryville on the Norfolk & Western railroad. The property is an old plantation and is valued at about $18 an acre. Mr. Carr is preparing to build a fine summer home on the plantation and set out a large part of the land in orchards. Another Pittsburgher who is interested in Virginia real estate is said to have bought lately is Edward O'Neil, the life insurance manager, who owns 1,600 acres in Accomac county, near the ocean shore. Mr. O'Neil makes frequent visits to the property and is making it one of the most inviting hunting preserves in the state. C. B. Simpson of Leesdale, who last spring bought 400 acres in Orange county near Madison Run, Va., through Liggett & Gosling, now has the entire farm under cultivation in tobacco and other crops. A similar tract in the western part of the state is owned by W. F. Bingler of the Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Company, who is preparing to engage extensively in fruit and grain growing. The mild and even climate and the natural fertility of the land are attracting many Pittsburghers to Virginia every year. Owing to this fact that the land owners have allowed their land to run down both in producing power and in appearance it can usually be bought at a very low figure and offers good inducements to city men who wish to have a large country estate in a healthy locality that will pay them a good revenue when rightly managed.

North Side Buyer Announced.

The Thomas Carlin Sons' Company moves to Beaver, Pa., on the old plant of the Sanitary Manufacturing Company in River avenue, Eighth ward, Allegheny, the sale of which for $125,000 was noted in The Gazette yesterday. The property, 1600—1646 River avenue, but has occupied the property just bought for several years. A modern plant will be erected on the plot.

George W. Beloit has disposed of two more of his Belmar plots houses for $18,000. They are ten room reception hall brick dwellings on lots 80x96 feet, and face in Race street, between Collier and Sterrett streets, Twelfth first ward. Both were bought for homes, and in exchange a plot of Squirrel Hill frontage is reported to have been tendered.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church of North Braddock yesterday received the first Christmas present of real estate that has been announced. Instead of foreclosing the mortgage on the church property in Sixth street Mrs. Lydia Fairfield Cox, who held the mortgage for $2,500, and several years ago, made the trustees a present of a deed to the entire property, which is valued at $3,000.

Made a Nice Profit.

Pride street: The Real Estate Trust Company sold for Mrs. A. M. Pier to S. Petrowsky an improved lot 20x108 feet, in Pride street, near Fifteenth street, Sixth ward, for $3,250. The property has lately been resold through the Aronson Realty Company to Leslie McClure for $4,000.

Henry street: Charles H. Chance sold for the Jacob Mueller heirs to C. H. Kerr a frame house, lot 20x110 feet, on the west side of Henry street, near Bellefield avenue, Fourteenth ward, for $2,500.

Allegheny: Burt Bros. & Co. sold for David L. Fullen a vacant lot 30x150 feet, in Riverview avenue, near Perrysville avenue, Allegheny, for $2,500.

Devilliers street: S. Arnold sold for Lucas L. May of Verona to Solomon Furberein, 160 Devilliers street, Eleventh ward, a two-story brick house, lot 20x94 feet, for $3,250.

Lake street: Evans V. Sutton sold to A. L. and Annie B. Watkins an improved lot 31x150 feet, on the east side of Lake street, near Lincoln avenue, Twenty-first ward, for $5,125.

Wampum: Charles Burt Frederick sold to Nora Gilbert an improved lot 21x80 feet, on the north side of Wampum street, Twenty-fourth ward, for $2,500.

Sales in Twenty-Seventh Ward.

Berg street: Elizabeth Hollis sold to Peter J. Bauer an improved lot 22x150 feet, on the north side of Berg street, in Sterling street, Twenty-seventh ward, for $3,000.

Pius street: Daniel F. Hannan sold to Nicholas Ricard an improved lot 24x100 feet, on the north side of Pius street, Twenty-fourth ward, for $1,500.

Patterson street: Burt D. Swaisey sold to John W. Weber a lot 30x70 feet, on the north side of Patterson street, Twenty-seventh ward, for $1,000.

South Side: Charles Glasser sold to George Seppe an improved lot 23.9x80 feet, on the west side of South Fourteenth street, Twenty-eighth ward, for $2,000.

Larkins street: Ebenezer Williams sold to N. Marmuln an improved lot 16.5x33 feet, on the north side of Larkins street, Twenty-fifth ward, for $1,000.

Procter street: John Siebert sold to Peter Knoerl an improved lot 20x85.5 feet, in Procter street, Thirty-first ward, for $1,050.

Building permits were issued yesterday to James Garland for a three-story brick veneered apartment house in Hazelwood avenue, Twenty-third ward, to cost $7,175, and to W. C. Heins for a three-story brick apartment house in Homestead avenue, Thirty-seventh ward, to cost $10,000.

Transfers Recorded.

West Chester to James A. West, Nov 27, 23rd ward, Pittsburgh, 20x100, Annalise at ..... $ 2,500

Lincoln Place Realty Co to J. M. Poorbaugh, December 7, Mifflin twp, 11 lots, Lincoln place. 3,800

Same to Mattie M. Poorbaugh, December 7, Mifflin twp, 4 lots, Lincoln place. 1,200

Pittsburgh Trust to to Mrs. J. Coleman, December 7, 27th ward, Pittsburgh, 32x100, Idlewild st 1,400

Nimick William A to Katherine Burke, October 19, 21st ward, Pittsburgh, Shady Spencer st 2,850

Williams George M to J A Cohn, August 8, 28th ward, Pittsburgh, 19x72, S 11th st 2,600

William F. Frew to J. D. Ross, December 4, 32nd ward, Pittsburgh, lot 2,000

Mt. Vernon Land and Improvement Co to W. J. Rogers, November 30, 11th ward, Allegheny, 96 feet, Termon ave 2,000

Shearan S M to A M Sheffer, December 8, 20th ward, Pittsburgh, 20x120, Shady ave 10,000

South Side Savings to Jane A M Reed, December 1, 18th ward, Pittsburgh, 65x150, Wellesley 9,000

Cameron H O to J M Milliken, November 24, 22nd ward, Pittsburgh, 30x120, St. Clair ave 1,050

Crumley William to E M Skees, October 10, Sharaden, 45x100, Morwyn ave 2,500

Ash S and O to Oliver J Ash, December 2, Sharaden, 45x100, Charlotte ave 2,500

Diebold M to L N Chrisman, September 15, 20th ward, Pittsburgh, 50x133, Evaline st 10,000

Fischer Charles B to Mary B Gorham, July 17, Baldwin twp, 50x200, Howard ave 1,500

Same to Robert Stephenson, July 17, Baldwin twp, 40x200, Howard ave 1,400

Watterson William R to James Watterson, May 4, Mifflin twp, 24.4170, Trafford st 1,800

Otto Nook B to Bellevue Land Improvement Co, December 7, Ross twp, 40 more and 5 lots 6,250

O'Donnell J H to M L Heinert, October 21, 22nd ward, Pittsburgh, 19x60, Lloyd st 3,500

Mehlbach Joseph to J P Klemm, December 16, 19th ward, Pittsburgh, 30x40, Collins ave 12,000

Swaney B D to J W Weber, October 22, 27th ward, Pittsburgh, 40x80, Potter st 1,600

Willison T. George to T. H. Patterson, Nov 20, Swissvale, 42x120, Trevanion ave 2,040

Ludwick Nancy E to Noah H Atto, August 6, O'Hara twp, 50 acres 85,000

Robinson C M to George Winkler, November 12, Moon twp, 4 acres 2,000

Blackburn M to E V Donovan, July 2, 21st ward, Pittsburgh, 24x100, Rosalia ave 8,000

Snyder W J H to Minnie Hawkins, April 25, Aviary, Bellevue, 50 acres 5,100

West Chester to Evan Arthur, November 27, 23rd ward, Pittsburgh, 20x100, Augustine st 2,300

Tatter P J to A S Gill, September 8, 27th ward, Pittsburgh, 24x100, Thurston ave 2,000

Holcroft Leather Co to William P Lange, December 8, 8th ward, Allegheny, 240 Pike st 28,000

Foster Morrison to E. P. Rhodes, October 26, Allegheny, Bellevue, 40 Shade st, 122 Orchard st

Struthers William F to N F Struthers, November 30, Bellevue, 150x137, Melvin ave 1,100

Crist C to E B Jefferson, September 30, Crafton, 49x100, Bonnet st 3,000

Caulfield W H to F G Smith P B Co, November 28, Mifflin twp, 8 lots, Homestead 2,000

Bineter William F to James Kane, October 24, 9th ward, McKeesport, 50x100, Wesley ave 1,200

Miller M F to Mary Albright, December 11, Homestead, 25x110, 16th ave, Esler J M to J N Hazlett, December 1, Tarentum, 47x150, E Ninth ave.

Davis A T to Louise Sachs, December 1, N Braddock, 24x110, 5.5780 Ave

Page O O to W H Whitsell, October 16, 22nd ward, Pittsburgh, 217x180, Hobart st 5,500

Rose Gomer to T. D. Eickerton, October 20, Jefferson twp, 100x104, Sinte st 4,000

City of Pittsburgh to John Newell, agt, Lindley L, 20th ward, Pittsburgh, 40x70, Center ave 9,200

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Edward A. Diaz ..... Turtle Creek
Sarah G Kirkpatrick ..... Turtle Creek
Martin A. Kruber ..... Pittsburgh
Clara H. Aldefeld ..... Wilkinsburg
James G. Drift ..... Tarentum
Effie A. Soott ..... Tarentum
J. Edward Bordner ..... Monessen
Ella B. Cowen ..... Elizabeth
Samuel Young ..... Monessen
Ida M. Daily ..... Monessen
Walter W. Marshall ..... Tarentum
Mary E. Diehl ..... Hiles
Terry Rhodes ..... Natrona
Emily Gleson ..... Natrona
Robert M. Ball ..... Bellevernon
Ida Gilbert ..... Oakland, Cal.
Edward M. Collier ..... Allegheny
Clara E. Herbst ..... Columbus, O.
Robert Yeakle ..... Bakerstown
Clarrie Berry ..... Bakerstown
Fred Role ..... Allegheny
Anna M. Roedinger ..... Allegheny
Harry H. Fergus ..... McKeesport
Helen Kline ..... McKeesport
William Alexander ..... Pittsburgh
Annie Winford ..... Pittsburgh
John McCoy ..... Midway
Martha Holland ..... Midway
Joseph Motta ..... Ridgeville
Charles Weber ..... Pittsburgh
John M. Carter ..... Pittsburgh
Charlotte H. Westerman ..... Pittsburgh
Robert M. Knight ..... Homestead
Elizabeth N. Cunningham ..... Homestead
John Jones, Jr. ..... McKeesport
Lillie M. Henderson ..... Chanlon, Pa.
Harry W. Billet ..... Sharpsburg
Cora J. Romine ..... Sturgeon
William J. Stark ..... Natrona
Mary A. Taylor ..... Beechbridge
Harrison Figley ..... New Sheffield, Pa.
Colora Allison ..... Braddock
Samuel M. Rohlin ..... Allegheny
Ora E. Wyatt ..... Allegheny
Harry M. Gerding ..... Allegheny
Agnes M. Woods ..... Allegheny
Horace T. Thompson ..... Allegheny
Edith H. Kimball ..... Allegheny
Joseph C. Wilkinson ..... Allegheny
Agnes P. Loridan ..... Allegheny
Clarence H. Stonecker ..... Wilkinsburg
Nettie M. Rath ..... Pittsburgh
John Lee ..... Ben Avon
Lena White ..... Ben Avon
Louis Gregory ..... Pittsburgh
Rosia Langhon ..... Pittsburgh
Joseph W. Chapman ..... Allegheny
Agnes Mograw ..... Allegheny
Paul Postler ..... Allegheny
Margie Simmons ..... Allegheny
Harry W. Fox ..... Duquesne
Millie Hill ..... Pittsburgh
Alfred Shirley ..... Wilkinsburg
Anna McIntyre ..... Wilkinsburg
Samuel Sobrom ..... Allegheny
Mary Deppner ..... Homestead
John P. Simpson ..... Pittsburgh
Leonie Cooper ..... Pittsburgh
Benjamin Lietti ..... Uniontown
Lillian Woods ..... Grove Mills
John Becker ..... Pittsburgh
Marie Rutter ..... Bellefonte, Pa.
Samuel L. J. Thomas ..... Pittsburgh
Wilson ..... Pittsburgh
Ira B. Crist ..... Allegheny
Mary E. Hughes ..... Allegheny
Maude M. Cavitt ..... Allegheny
Bessie S. Belshel ..... Pittsburgh
Walter H. Kriekell ..... Allegheny
Hallie C. Washington ..... Allegheny
Benjamin Hiles ..... Carnegie
Rosie Markauer ..... Pittsburgh

CAMPBELL'S.

Half Price Day Is Many Sections.

Strictly "holiday goods" find little favor in the eyes of the storekeepers just before Christmas bells begin to ring. Campbell has determined to make an end of all toys, games, china, bric-a-brac, dolls, calendars, etc., today. The advertisement tells in part the story of half prices and changed figures. The wise woman will get to "The people's Store" betimes this morning and bring a big basket with her.

The Shield of Quality on the box not only makes the Welsbach a better mantle, but makes it the BEST! Five kinds—15, 20, 25, 30, 35c. All Dealers. The Welsbach Store 722 Penn Ave. 66

We send you regularly on the first day of each month a Check for Your Rents. No worry—no bother—no waiting. UNION REALTY COMPANY. Owned and operated by Iron City Trust Company. Capital and surplus, $500,000. Penn Ave. and Ninth St.

Men's Clothes Cleaned, Pressed, Repaired. Special facilities for rush orders. Work called for and delivered. Popular prices. Dickson, The Tailor, 420 Wood St.

POLICE STOPPED WORK ON HERRS ISLAND BRIDGE

West Penn Railroad Fails to Get Ordinance Authorizing Construction of Pier.

Detective James McKay with to policemen stopped work yesterday on the West Penn railroad bridge from Herrs island to River avenue, Allegheny, which was being done by the Pittsburgh Construction Company. E. J. McIlvain, director of public works, declares the company must get permission from councils to build a new pier over the bed of the foot of McFadden street, where the company had been at work for about a week. After the work had been stopped Director McIlvain stationed a policeman at the foot of McFadden street with orders to allow no work to be done on the pig pier.

The West Penn division of the Pennsylvania is pulling up a bridge from Allegheny to Herrs island to secure the freight of the stock yards on the island. For some months a temporary structure has been used while the new bridge was being built.

"I noticed the contractors several days ago that no pier could be put up in River avenue until council authorized it," said Director McIlvain yesterday. "Work was stopped for a day but was recommenced again. Not another bit of work will be done until an ordinance is passed allowing the company to erect the pier there."

NEW ENGLAND BOOMS OLNEY FOR PRESIDENT

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The Hon. Richard Olney is to be formally put forward for the Democratic presidential nomination at the January meeting of the Democratic state committe by a resolution which will ask the co-operation of the Democracy of the other New England states to this end and the New England may go to the National convention united in the favor of the Massachusetts man. The Hon. William McNary, chairman of the Democratic state committee, says that it was decided to seek the nomination for Mr. Olney.

GOOD NEWS FOR 1,000 MILL WORKERS

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—It is officially announced that the plant of the Youngstown Iron, Sheet and Tube Company will resume operations in full force Monday morning. The mill employs about 1,000 men.

And Now Before Stock Taking

We come to bargain selling time—Dropped patterns and remnants in almost endless variety.

CARPETS AND LINOLEUMS

Remnant prices—just about one-half regular—
Wiltons $1.25 a yard.
Bigelow Axminsters, $1.00 a yard.
Axminsters, 75c a yard.
Wilton Velvets, 85c a yard.
Velvets, 65c a yard.
Body Brussels, 85c a yard.
Inlaid linoleums, $1.00 a yard.
Printed Linoleums, 55c, 50c and 40c a yard.
Oil Cloths, 25c a yard.
Carpet squares and fringed rugs made from remnants at remnant prices.

Oliver McClintock Co.
219 Fifth Avenue.

McJUNKIN DAIRY
ESTABLISHED 1875
Pasteurized Milk and Cream
Special Baby Milk—Windsor Whipping Cream
CHOICE CREAMERY BUTTER STRICTLY FRESH EGGS

Please give our milk and cream a trial. Our milk is fifty per cent richer in cream than the law requires. Over nine thousand families in Greater Pittsburgh are using our milk and cream. guarantee the absolute purity and healthfulness of our goods. Both Phones.

McJUNKIN-STRAIGHT DAIRY CO.
Temporary Office, 3153 Penn Ave., until our new plant at 30th and Liberty is completed. Stand in Liberty Market

The Following Retail Druggists Have All the Below Advertised Articles and Will Not Offer a Substitute:

Jos. Fleming & Son, No. 441 Market St. Phs.
Sharp Drug Co., No. 500 Market St. Ph.
W. H. Plough, No. 518 Smithfield St. Ph.
D. E. Hook, Cor. Liberty Ave. and Smithfield St.
H. J. Lange, No. 5103 Butler St. Ph.
Henry Thurmeier, No. 909 North Highland Ave., Ph.
Henry A. Nolker, No. 1302 Butler St., Ph.
John C. Smith, No. 5147 Penn Ave., Ph.
John H. Reis, 6 Fenwick Pl., Ph.
Otto A. Schad Co., No. 139 East Ohio St. Ally.
Kaufmann Drug Co., Cor. Federal and Lacock Sts., Ally.
Glassner-Hochenadle Drug Co., No. 179 Federal St., Ally.
Farb Drug Store, Cor. Federal and Montgomery Sts., Ally.
H. J. McBride, Cor. Federal and Ohio Sts., Ally.
A. C. Anderson, Cor. Federal St. and North Ave., Ally.
Schleider & Kutscher, Cor. Diana Viola and Jackson Sts., Ally.

Trade Supplied BY THE George A. Kelly Co.

DR. A. C. DANIELS' (Warranted) Veterinary Medicine. Highly powerful will surely remove every kind of worm which infests the horse; contains no poison, and can be used with safety at all times. Price 50 Cents.

MAJOR'S CEMENT
MAJOR'S MAJOR'S
MAJOR'S CEMENT DEPARTMENT
PRICE 15 CENTS.
Alphonse Major, Prop., New York City.

The worse the COUGH the greater the need for DELAVAU'S REMEDY

Goes right to the cause of the trouble and cures it. Nothing miraculous about it—simply a case of knowing what's best. Get it from your Druggist. 50 Cents Per Bottle.

Derma-Royale

Derma-Royale, $1 per bottle, prepaid. Derma-Royale Soap, 25 cents per cake. Both in one package, express paid. Pamphlet and testimonials sent on request. ONE BOTTLE FREE TO AGENTS. The Derma Royale Co., Cincinnati, O.

Xmas Gifts ...at... 416 Penn Avenue

Christmas shopping may be accomplished with greater convenience by avoiding the crowded shopping district and visiting us. We are located just far enough away from the congested quarter to make it convenient to all shoppers.

There is no place in Pittsburgh where so many dainty and appropriate Christmas gifts may be found, both in the expensive and the inexpensive places. Any article made in china, glass or pottery is represented here at its best.

OPEN EVENINGS.

HAMILTON & CLARK CO.
416 PENN AVENUE

SOLE AGENTS FOR Minton, Maruimae, Newcomb, Pelham and Teco. AGENTS FOR ROOKWOOD.

A SKIN OF BEAUTY IS A JOY FOREVER.

DR. T. FELIX GOURAUD'S ORIENTAL CREAM, OR MAGICAL BEAUTIFIER.

Removes Tan, Pimples, Freckles, Moth Patches, Rash and Skin Diseases, and every blemish on beauty, and defies detection. It has stood the test of 50 years, and is so harmless we taste it to be sure it is properly made. Accept no counterfeit of similar name. The distinguished Dr. L. A. Sayre said to a lady of the haut-ton (a patient): As you ladies will use them, I recommend 'Gouraud's Cream' as the least harmful of all the Skin preparations." For sale by all Druggists and Fancy Goods Dealers throughout the U. S., Canada and Europe. FERD. T. HOPKINS, Prop., 37 Great Jones St., N. Y.

TELEPHONE YOUR "WANTS" TO "THE GAZETTE"

Bell 1630 Grant, P. & A. 1014-1015 Main.

IT PAYS TO USE GAZETTE WANT ADS.

EMPLOYMENT AGENCY.

We offer to anyone who contemplates changing their present position a most desirable one, to be pleased to have you call or write. Now to be accepted here. EMPIRE BUREAU, 420 FOURTH AVE.

WANTED.

Always be sure to mention that you saw this adv. in The Gazette.

Male Help.

BOOKKEEPER—First-class, experienced bookkeeper; state age, reference and salary expected. Address O 18, The Gazette.

MAN wanted to carry sign on street. Call 705 Penn ave.

MEN—Five bright young men who are capable of interviewing people; good salary to right party. Apply at The Pittsburgh Gazette classified adv. department.

SOLICITOR WANTED.

We desire to employ January 1, 1904, an experienced solicitor; one who can show results; will pay salary; position regular. UNION CITY REALTY CO., 350 Fourth ave.

THE MERCANTILE BUREAU, INCORPORATED UNDER LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO SECURE YOU EMPLOYMENT. 404 FOURTH AVE.

WANTED—For the U. S. Marine Corps, able-bodied unmarried men, between 21 and 35, of good character and steady habits who are citizens of the United States. Marines are stationed in all parts of the world, so that all our young men and all men of martial aspirations in the United States Army should enlist in the Marine Corps. Apply recruiting office, 434, 436 Penn ave., Pittsburg, Pa.; 419 Wylie ave., McKeesport, Pa.; Pennsylvania building, Canton and Youngstown, O.

WANTED—8 colored painters, cleanmen for punch manufactory; highest wages. 621 Wood st., Pittsburgh.

WANTED—Laborers for bottle work; steam or gas work. 627 West Robinson st., Allegheny.

YOUNG MEN—To learn telegraphy, day or evening, and accept railroad position before school closes. Write Pittsburgh Telegraph College, Lewis block.

Female Help.

WOMEN—Five bright young women, who are capable of interviewing people; good salary. Apply at The Pittsburgh Gazette classified adv. department, 23.

YOUNG LADIES—To learn telegraphy for good positions. Apply Pittsburgh Telegraph College, Lewis block.

Male and Female Help.

WOMEN AND MEN—We pay $12 per 1,000 printing at home; send stamp. Gazette Supply Co., 1 Times building, New York.

MALE AND FEMALE HELP (agent, waiter, etc.) furnished at Penna. Bur.

Situations—Female.

EXPERIENCED WASH woman wants work by the day and board. Address 805 Arch st., Allegheny.

Students.

HOLIDAY SCHOLARSHIPS
THE ACTUAL BUSINESS COLLEGE
is issuing one hundred scholarships that will be good during the holidays, and which may be obtained by anyone who will call at the holiday discounts. It enables parents to give their sons and daughters those valuable educational courses. Call or write for particulars. Actual Business College, 31 to 37 Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Third and fourth fls. The Old Reliable Business Training School. Positions secured when competent. Day and night sessions. Call or write for special holiday rates and catalogue. Actual Business College, 31 to 37 Fourth ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Third and fourth fls. The Old Reliable Business Training School. Positions secured when competent. Day and night sessions. Call or write for special holiday rates and catalogue.

SHORTHAND LESSONS, by mail, $5; complete course, $10; guaranteed; terms reasonable. Address Shorthand, 1 Times building, New York.

SHORTHAND, typewriting and telegraphy taught by mail; positions secured; terms reasonable. Address Shorthand, 1 Times building, New York.

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TYPEWRITING and MIMEOGRAPHING a specialty. 324 Lewis block.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—To purchase, two carriage horses, 5 to 7 years old, warranted to weigh sound and absolutely

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS.

East End.

THE INGLESIDE—Elegantly furnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences; terms moderate. 5417 Penn ave.

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WANTED—Two or four young men of refinement who are willing to pay a fair price to make home in a refined private family; Calhoun s., near Ellsworth st. Address K 25, The Gazette.

Allegheny.

ALLEGHENY AVE., 1218—Comfortably furnished rooms; every convenience; splendid location.

ANDERSON ST., 206—Two connecting furnished rooms for light housekeeping; gases; $5.00 week.

ARCH ST., 1218—Furnished front room with alcove; all conveniences. Charles st. car.

ARCH ST., 609—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; splendid location.

ARCH ST., 806—Nicely furnished front room; every convenience; splendid location.

ARCH ST., 1403—Second-story front room, bath, heat, gas.

BEECH AVE., 654, Allegheny—Front room with alcove; all conveniences.

CABINET ST., 1011—Three connecting furnished rooms; all conveniences; also furnished parlor.

CALIFORNIA AVE., 346, neatly furnished rooms; all conveniences; $10 and $8 month.

CALIFORNIA AVE., 373—Two large connecting unfurnished rooms; both gases, bath, laundry, also furnished housekeeping room.

CALIFORNIA AVE., 387—Furnished rooms, two connecting; all conveniences. Avalon car.

CHARLES ST., 144—Furnished rooms with board for two people; $32 month.

CHURCH AVE., 110—Nicely furnished front room, every convenience.

CHURCH AVE., 117—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; 5 minutes' walk to city.

CLIFTON PARK, 15—One large well furnished room; all convenience.

EAST OHIO ST., 1126—Large furnished front rooms and kitchen; light housekeeping; gases; bath; private family, also front room for gentlemen.

E. NORTH AVE., 10—Elegantly furnished rooms; all conveniences, near Federal st.

ESPLANADE ST., 1811, very large furnished room, both gases, bath, etc.; near North ave.

FAYETTE ST., 1207, three nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences.

FEDERAL ST., 825—Newly furnished room, second floor, bath, gases, steam heat.

FEDERAL ST., 1203—Two connecting rooms, all conveniences; two gentlemen or couple.

FEDERAL ST., 1332—Furnished rooms with board, all conveniences; opposite James st.

FEDERAL ST., 916—One large well furnished room; bath, both gases, phone, etc.

FOR RENT—Two second-floor rooms, furnished for light housekeeping; both gases; eight minutes to Sixth and Liberty; two car lines; just papered and painted; $18 month. 912 Grant ave., Allegheny.

GRANT AVE., 1014, three furnished rooms, two for housekeeping, conveniences; Western ave. car.

HEMLOCK ST., 116—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences; near Bovine st.

HEMLOCK ST., 12—Two connecting furnished rooms for housekeeping; bath; laundry.

JACKSON ST., 224—Furnished room; bath, gases, hot water; with or without board.

JACKSON ST., 212, two connecting furnished rooms; steam heat; bath, gases, etc.

JAMES ST., 1205—Desirable furnished; gas; near North ave.

JEFFERSON, EAST, 124—Three well-furnished rooms for light housekeeping; every convenience.

JUNIATA ST., 1107—Furnished room; gas, bath; Woods Run car; $3.50 week.

MONTGOMERY, 210 WEST—Furnished rooms, for housekeeping; also board; corner Sherman.

MONTGOMERY AVE., 218, second story front furnished room; all conveniences; one door from Union.

MORRISON AVE., 1114—Two connecting furnished rooms; all conveniences; three doors from car.

MORRISON AVE., 1106—Two connecting furnished rooms; bath, gases, phone; Bellevue car.

NORTH DIAMOND, 111 West—Nicely furnished rooms for housekeeping.

NORTH AVE., 807 W. (Cor. Grant)—Two connecting furnished rooms; gases; bath; three or four gentlemen.

NORTH WEST, 308—Nicely furnished rooms, private family.

OHIO ST., 128—Neatly furnished front room; all conveniences; near Arch.

OBSERVATORY AVE., 300—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience; splendid location; gentlemen.

PALO ALTO ST., 1212—Nicely furnished room; every convenience; splendid location.

PALO ALTO, 1205—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping; conveniences; 5 minutes Fort Wayne depot.

PALO ALTO ST., 1222—Three furnished rooms; all conveniences; near North ave.

PARK WAY, 15—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping; all conveniences.

PERRYSVILLE AVE., 2421—Elegantly furnished rooms, all conveniences, for two or four men.

PERRYSVILLE AVE., 3004—Second-story furnished room, all conveniences; Perrysville car.

POPLAR ST., 1213—Large furnished room, suitable for gentlemen; bath, both gases.

PUMP ALLEY, 5 (between Arch and Race), newly furnished front room; all conveniences; $10 month.

RACE ST., 7416, three unfurnished rooms; modern conveniences; also furnished room; gentlemen.

RACE ST., 1208—Neatly furnished second-story room; all conveniences; near North.

REBECCA AVE., 807, Wilkinsburg—Two nicely furnished well-located rooms; conveniences; near boarding.

REBECCA ST., 1007—Newly furnished front room; with or without board.

RESACA ST., 1233—Neatly furnished rooms with board; all conveniences; $5.50 week.

RIDGE AVE., 1000—Furnished or unfurnished room with excellent table board; 15 minutes' walk to city; four different car lines; splendid location; references exchanged.

RIDGE AVE., 817—Furnished rooms, $1.50 up, convenient, neat; private family.

RIDGE AVE., 1135, Allegheny—Choice rooms, unfurnished, on 1st floor; all conveniences.

SAMPSON ST., 111—Desirable furnished front room; bath; gases, etc. Charles St. car.

SANDUSKY ST., 912—Near Montgomery; hall room, gases, bath privileges; $1.50 week.

TAGGART ST., 97—Furnished room, gas, etc.; Charles st. car; $3.00 week.

THIRD ST., 420—Elegantly furnished rooms; both gases; bath; gentlemen preferred.

THE ROWMONT—Family and commercial hotel, short walk from center of Allegheny or Pittsburgh; rates $1 per day, $4 per week, $25 per month; three unfurnished rooms, $20 per month, with light and heat; single rooms, 50c per day; take West View cars; stop at Cedar, corner North ave., Allegheny.

UNION AVE., 705—Elegantly furnished second-floor rooms, communicating room if desired.

UNION AVE., 709—Nicely furnished front room, facing park, also smaller room; every convenience.

UNION AVE., 915—Two, nicely furnished; every convenience; private family.

WASHINGTON AVE., 844—Furnished front room; all conveniences; private family.

WASHINGTON ST., 810—Nicely furnished rooms; every convenience.

WASHINGTON AVE., 945—Two nice rooms, furnished or unfurnished, for light housekeeping; second floor.

WASHINGTON AVE., 918—Two furnished rooms, bath, laundry, both gases; on car line.

WASHINGTON ST., 820—Large newly furnished front room; also back room; gases, bath, hot water.

WASHINGTON ST., 824, near Cedar—Furnished rooms, bath, gases, hot water, etc.

WEST ERIE ST., 14—Neatly furnished rooms, all conveniences, near Federal.

W. NORTH AVE., 911—Two furnished rooms, all conveniences; near Grant ave.

WEST PARK WAY, 15—Furnished room for light housekeeping.

WEST OHIO ST., 121—Furnished rooms, suitable for gentlemen; conveniences; near post-office.

WESTERN AVE., 929, nicely furnished room, complete for housekeeping; all conveniences; Western ave. car.

WESTERN AVE., 817—Two furnished rooms, one front, all conveniences, near park.

WANTED—ROOMS.

WANTED—An unfurnished room in private house in Allegheny by an elderly man; for light; can give good references; give location and price. Address K 24, The Gazette.

FOR RENT—UNFURNISHED ROOMS.

Allegheny.

CABINET ST., 1004—Two unfurnished rooms for housekeeping; all conveniences.

CHANDLER ST., 15—Four unfurnished rooms, two rooms, $12 and $10 month.

FERRYSVILLE AVE., 2501—Two connecting unfurnished rooms, first floor, bath, gases, hot water; $14.

FERRYSVILLE AVE., 2727—Three unfurnished rooms; bath, gas; couple without children.

HOGE AVE., 1135, Allegheny—Two or three unfurnished rooms on first floor; all conveniences.

FOR RENT—UNFURNISHED ROOMS.

City and Suburban.

MT. VERNON ST., 1163—Two large unfurnished rooms, every convenience.

East End.

FRANKSTOWN AVE., 126—Three unfurnished rooms; bath, gas, water; reasonable.

ROOMS AND BOARD.

City and Suburban.

CAROLINA ST., 954, two furnished rooms, with board; conveniences; gentlemen preferred.

CHATWORTH AVE., 406, Hazelwood, three large furnished rooms, all conveniences; board if desired.

DINWIDDIE ST., 728—Nicely furnished rooms with board; every convenience; splendid location.

MAPLETON, 210 CRAFT AVE.—Nicely furnished room with heat board; every convenience.

SCIOTA ST., 4810, two furnished rooms, with or without board; conveniences, gentlemen.

THE SWEARINGEN,
Craft ave., below Forbes—Nicely furnished rooms with first-class table board; every convenience; Bell 'phone 973 Park or P. & A. 244 Park.

East End.

HIGHLAND AVE., 325 South—Furnished second-floor room; best table board.

LIBERTY AVE., 5160—Three nicely furnished rooms, every convenience; board if desired.

SHADY AVE., 246—One room, second floor; board; near cars and station.

WALNUT ST., 5508—Nicely furnished front rooms, with board; every convenience; splendid location.

Allegheny.

ESPLANADE ST., 1215, near North ave.—Elegantly furnished front rooms, with board; every convenience; very reasonable.

SANDUSKY ST., 808—Wanted—Roomers and dealers; every convenience.

UNION AVE., 605—Nicely furnished rooms with board, every convenience; splendid location.

FOR RENT.

City and Suburban Residences.

TO LET—Six acres on Squirrel Hill, having eight room house and outbuildings. See THE BEECHWOOD IMPT. CO., LTD., 307 Times Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR RENT—
Two eight-room brick houses in Wilkinsburg.
MORTGAGE BANKING COMPANY,
423 Fourth ave.

FOR RENT—Eight room house, with bath and modern conveniences; newly papered throughout. Inquire 506 Cato st., Oakland.

East End Residences.

FOR RENT—
Send card for list of houses and apartments for rent and map of East End, free.
S. H. LLOYD,
No. 8022 Penn ave., E.E.,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

TO LET—In one of the best locations in East End, large store room, with two four-room flats. Will rent separate or as a whole. See THE BEECHWOOD IMPT. CO., LTD., 307 Times Bldg. Pittsburgh, Pa.

FOR RENT—House, 7 rooms and bath, $30; No. 7313 Hermitage st. Inquire 1507 Arnott Bldg.

SEND postal for complete rent list of East End houses. J. W. SHERRER, 6106 Penn ave.

Allegheny Residences.

FOR RENT—Stanton st.—Six-room frame; conveniences; one acre; 5 minutes from Bellefonte road cars; excellent location; $20 per month.
UNION REALTY CO.
Penn ave. and Ninth st.

FOR RENT—
RIDGEWOOD AVE.
2-story frame dwelling, containing 6 rooms, bath, range, h. and c. water, $25.
PEARSON & FREE,
20a Ohio st., West,
Allegheny, Pa.

WOODLAND AND STANTON STS., Allegheny—First floor, 3 rooms; first floor rear, 4 rooms; second floor, 4 rooms and attic; frame house, 4 rooms. W. L. Scott & Co., 300 Federal st., Allegheny.

HOUSE — Beaver st., near Woodland ave., frame house, 4 or 5 rooms, yard, water. W. L. Scott & Co., 300 Federal st., Allegheny.

HOUSE—For rent, 8 rooms, Hoboken. Call office Jones' Magic Roach Powder, 30 B. Lacock st., Allegheny.

Business Property.
LARGE HOTEL FOR RENT.
Six story building near Court House. Can be made one of the best hotel stands in the city. Room 40x80 feet, suitable for bar; good basement; 50 rooms in good condition; electric elevator. Rent $4,000 per year. Good chance to go into the hotel business.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

STORAGE OR MANUFACTURING SPACE FOR RENT—Second and third floors of building at Twenty-fourth st. and Penn ave., containing 10,000 square feet floor space. Elevator. Suitable for power, light manufacturing or storage. Rent $100 per month.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

DIAMOND STREET LOT
FOR RENT—Good Diamond st. lot 42x120 feet. Will make long lease. Low rental, if tenant will remodel present old building or erect new building.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

FOR RENT—SEVENTH ST.
$50 month; fine house, 10 rooms; suitable for salesroom or manufacturing; immediate possession. Apply to
H. R. SCOTT,
1401 Farmers Bank building.

Storerooms.
STORE ROOM WITH SECOND STORY FOR RENT—In Penn building, No. 706 Penn ave., fine store room, 25x100, with second-story rooms. Will rent together or separately. Rent low; electric light and steam heat free.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.
311 Fourth ave.

RETAIL STORE ROOM FOR RENT.
At 706 Penn ave., store room 25x100 feet; high ceiling; good basement; steam heat and electric light free; immediate possession.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.
311 Fourth ave.

DOWN TOWN CORNER STORE.
FOR RENT—At Smithfield st. and Seventh ave., large corner store, suitable for drug, jewelry, gents' furnishings or any other retail business. High ceilings, steam heat. Reasonable rent.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

Apartments.
APARTMENTS.
California ave., district, Allegheny. In new modern apartment house, consisting of 6 rooms and bath each; hot and cold water, range; both gases, etc. Ready January 1, 1903. Rent $30.

A. R. HAY, JR.,
600-10 Farmers Building.

MAJESTIC APARTMENTS—Six rooms, bath, private hall; front and back porches; hot water, heat in hall. Inquire on premises, 221 Millvale ave., East End.

Special.
LANDLORDS AND OWNERS OF PROPERTY
Take notice!
We serve January "quit notice" on your tenants.
Free of All Costs and Charges.
Send or 'phone names and locations of tenants to
To Rent Department,
ARONSON REALTY COMPANY,
Arcade Building, Old Fifth ave.

Desk Room.
DESK ROOM, immediately or January 1; possession. Apply Room 506 Publication building.
DESK ROOM—300 Fourth ave., room 204; best location in city.
DESK ROOM—For rent with desk. 308 Fourth ave.

Flats.
E. E. FLATS—Negley ave., cor. Homer st., $28.

Offices.
A few of these very desirable offices in the Home Trust Building, Wood and Sixth Ave, are for rent at rates much below that of other buildings that give less for the money. Service first-class in all details. Possession now or April 1st.
FOR RENT—Office, 508 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE.

City and Suburban Residences.

$18,000.
SQUIRREL HILL, MODERN RESIDENCE.
For Sale—Stone and shingle house on corner of two lots, 75x150 feet; 11 rooms and large reception hall; handwood finish and floors in first story; 10 rooms large and cheerful and in perfect condition; instantaneous water heater; furnace; combination chandeliers; artistic mantels. Will sell for $18,000, with lot 80x150 feet, or for $20,000 with lot 100x180 feet.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE.

City and Suburban Residences.

$23,000, on terms to suit purchaser, for beautiful new colonial center hall residence; 12 rooms, 3 tiled baths; first and second stories finished in hardwood; hardwood floors, combination chandeliers, instantaneous water heater, two hot air furnaces; roomy front porch, cement walks, terraced lawn; lot 80x250 feet. Immediate possession.
REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—$7,250; $250 DOWN; balance $10 25 per month. How is this? A new house of five rooms and large finished attic, besides bath room; with bath, hot and cold water, inside water closet, hardwood mantels, tile hearths, water heaters, one square from cars and city school; strictly good neighborhood. This property will sell.
HOME TRUST CO.,
541 Wood st.

FOR SALE—Price $2,800, no cash down, $25 each month, 6 room house with bath. Take West Park, McKees Rocks, cars to Wayne ave., go one square to Wayne ave., two squares to No. 322 Grove st.

FOR SALE—$7,500 residence, buff brick, 8 rooms, modern fixtures, McPherson boulevard, near Linden ave., East End; for information see Commonwealth Real Estate & Trust Co., 327 and 329 Fourth ave.

East End Residences.

FOR SALE—$20,000: Baum Grove; beautiful level lot, 66x135, to asphalt-paved alley; particularly large and elegantly appointed solid pressed brick, center hall house; coat barn and alley. This is property of generally attractive appearance, surrounded by equally good houses; it has large porches with vines and has flowers and shade trees on beautiful, level, well-kept grounds; 12 large rooms, besides fine billiard room and large solid white tile bath, which alone cost $1,000 to fit up, everything else in keeping; this property is a bargain at $20,000 and could not be duplicated today at that money; owner leaving city.
HOME TRUST CO.,
541 Wood st.

FOR SALE—$10,500—Shadyside—New 10-room Queen Anne brick, two squares from Fifth ave. cars; strictly first-class; all modern; considering its ease of access, the neighborhood and special neatness of the house, this is one of the best offers in Shadyside; reception hall and dining room have hardwood floors, mahogany parlor; neat decorations in hall, parlor, dining room and library, and all other rooms newly papered; cemented cellar, with laundry, closet and water hard finish; bath room, front and rear porches; cement walks; yard nicely sodded and graded; a charming little home.
HOME TRUST CO.,
541 Wood st.

FOR SALE—
QUITE A BARGAIN.
Spacious house of 12 rooms, well improved, lot 72x200 ft. to Meade street, on Penn ave., near Dallas. Easy terms; worth $25,000, some less price will buy it to settle estate.
See
COMONWEALTH REAL ESTATE & TRUST COMPANY,
327-329 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Only $10,000—South Negley ave., near Ellsworth, very good house, 12 rooms; lot 45x150.
Full information and permit to examine the house, see
COMMONWEALTH REAL ESTATE & TRUST CO.,
327-9 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE—Very cheap and easy terms, house No. 7303 Hermitage st., East End; take Frankstown cars or Liberty ave. cars to Sterrett st., in Homewood; walk up Sterrett st. 4 blocks; house has 7 rooms.

IF you are looking for an elegant East End home, new and modern, brick, on very easy terms, or bargain for cash, see McCutcheon, 54 Fidelity building.

Farms.

FARM.

75-ACRE FARM, located in Westmoreland county, Pa., limestone soil, underlaid with coal; bank barn 40x80 ft., 8-room house and all necessary outbuildings.
Price, $6,500.

W. L. SHEETS,
VESTER BUILDING,
McKEESPORT, PA.

FARMS.
Four acres, 20, 30, 70, 92 acres to 123 acres, 22 miles from city, near station, P. & W. R. R., also in Westmoreland and Beaver counties.
ZAHNISER & CO.,
426 Fourth ave.

SEND for our new January list of farms.
A. C. M'COMB & CO., 326 Fourth ave.

Coal Lands.

COAL.

95 ACRES COAL, Pittsburgh seam, located on Monongahela river; can be reached by river and railroad.
Price $250 per acre.

W. L. SHEETS,
VESTER BUILDING,
McKEESPORT, PA.

Lands and Acreage.

FOR SALE—Gilt edge acreage as a whole or half interest in saleable estate; lots selling at $800 to $500. Address Box 324, Rochester at Conway.

Lots.

FOR SALE—EAST END LOT.
Negley ave., near Friendship, 57x112, at $145 per ft.; eastern exposure; best bargain in East End; easy terms to builder.
HOME TRUST CO.,
541 Wood st.

FOR SALE—100 foot frontage, Penn ave., East End, cheap, if sold soon; owner leaving city. Address P. O. Box 116, East End.

Real Estate—Special.
A GOOD AND SAFE INVESTMENT.
EMICH APARTMENT BUILDING.

Emich Apartment Building

The most modern and best appointed apartment building in Allegheny, the EMICH APARTMENTS, 204-206 North ave., is offered for sale. Building contains 24 suites of 4 rooms and bath each; electric lighting plant and hot water heating system, elevator, 2 fine engines, 2 dynamos; hardwood finish, mosaic floors in hall; handsome entrance; front on one of Allegheny's beautiful parks. Rents for $11,000 per annum. Will sell for $110,000 on terms convenient to purchaser.

For Sale

REAL ESTATE TRUST CO.,
311 Fourth ave.

BE INDEPENDENT.
A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE WITH SMALL MEANS TO BECOME THEIR OWN.
You can buy one more lot(s) for what an ordinary lot will cost two years from now.
MT. LEBANON DISTRICT.
Two minutes' walk from street cars and 25 minutes' ride to city; on the new Pittsburgh & Charleroi street railway.
Can sell one to five acres, with fruit if desired.
INVESTIGATE THIS BEFORE BUYING.
Price $400 per acre and up, or will consider an exchange for good city property.
A. DIXON,
431 Fourth ave.

BE INDEPENDENT—Buy a farm; we have a large list. 906 Hamilton Bldg.

Atlantic City.
FOR SALE.

ATLANTIC CITY HOTEL

111 Bed-rooms, communicating with 27 Bath-rooms, in the most fashionable quarter, corner location, and on corner with all modern conveniences and improvements. Passenger and freight elevators, steam heat, two dining rooms. It is in first-class condition; only built two years. Will sell cheap and on easy terms to quick buyer. For further information address Oliver H. Gettridge, 1826 Atlantic ave., Atlantic City, N. J.

For Sale or Exchange.
FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.
Fine built brick Perrysville ave. (Allegheny) house; large, every modern convenience; best location on the avenue; price $15,000; will take in exchange improved property in the Second ward.
RELIANCE REAL ESTATE CO.,
417 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.
Elite corner; vacant property on Penn ave.; lot 8x130; price $9,500; will take in exchange two Bellevue houses and assume $1,500 on each, or two East End houses.
RELIANCE REAL ESTATE CO.,
417 Fourth ave.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.
$2,500—Equity in a 7-room house on Kelly st., E. E. Will sell on easy payments or exchange for store property.
ZAHNISER & CO.,
426 Fourth ave.

Business Opportunities.
J. P. SPEELMAN & SON, 407 Arnott Bldg.
GROCERY—Corner location, business of $250 week, $900.

GROCERY on Fifth ave.; invoice $2,000; fine chance.

GROCERY—Corner location, for $500; five living rooms; rent $28.

GROCERY—On South Side; business $800 week; invoice $1,400.

BARBER SHOP—Main st.; $550; fine business.

NEWS DEPOT and Confectionery—Penn ave.; $400.

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BUSINESS of all kinds bought and sold; partners secured for established business, etc.; all transactions strictly confidential.
KIRK & VOGEL, 1109 Arnott Building.

FOR SALE.

Business Opportunities.

HOTEL.

LICENSED HOTEL on the main street of Duquesne, 24 rooms, doing a business of $80 per day.
Price $8,000.

W. L. SHEETS,
Vester Building,
McKeesport, Pa.

FOR SALE—Well established furniture and housefurnishing business in a good manufacturing town of 35,000 in Western Pennsylvania. Now doing a business of $50,000 a year. Will be sold at bargain.
Good chance for right party. Good reasons for selling.
Address Gazette Office, Z 86

BUSINESS STANDS.
BURNETT, BOSSART & CO.,
430 Fourth ave.
Rooming House, brick, from $400 to $1,200.
Restaurants, prices from $325 to $1,400.
Grocery Stores, from $500 to $5,000.
Confectionery and Cigar Stores from $900 to $3,000.
Bakeries, from $850 to $4,000.
Pool Rooms, prices from $300 to $3,500.
BURNETT, BOSSART & CO.,
430 Fourth ave.

GROCERY STORE.

GROCERY STORE on Main street, Duquesne, will invoice $1,200. Doing an elegant business.

W. L. SHEETS,
Vester Building,
McKeesport, Pa.

HOTEL.
HOTEL AT GLASSPORT, PA., 38 rooms, furnished throughout, near depot; place will be lighted next spring.
Price to quick buyer, $1,400.

W. L. SHEETS,
Vester Building,
McKeesport, Pa.

FOR SALE—An old established newspaper agency and routes in Sewickley borough and vicinity, both daily and Sunday, averaging between 500 and 1,000 dailies, and the same number of Sundays. Inquire of Sophia M. Raibert, executrix of John Raibert's estate, 628 Beaver st., Sewickley.

RESTAURANT—First-class fixtures; six living rooms; centrally located; will sell cheap; doing $40 per day business; more business than can attend to; will sell one-half interest or the whole for $850.
HOWICK-THOMPSON CO.,
886 Fourth ave., Office 616 Times Bldg.

GROCERY STORE—Located on Robeson st., Wilkinsburg; doing $400 a week business; rent only $30 per month; 6 living rooms in back building; good horse and wagon; this is a fine opening; price $1,050.
HOWICK-THOMPSON CO.,
886 Fourth ave., Office 616 Times Bldg.

WE make a specialty of selling and exchanging listings. If you have and want to dispose of your business see us at once.
MILLS-SLAUGHENHOUPT CO.,
428 Fourth ave.

CIGAR, tobacco and notion store for sale; monthly cash receipts $700; low rent and long lease; must be purchased at a bargain if taken at once; good reasons for selling.
C. W. SMITH, 801 Arnott Bldg.

FINE chances for real estate development companies at Saxonburg, the coming resort of Pennsylvania. Investigate. For information, address Box 58.

IF you want to buy or sell any business, see
BURNETT, BOSSART & CO.,
430 Fourth ave., second floor.

BUSINESS CHANGES—Before buying, call or write us.
ESTEP & CO., 326 Fourth ave.

IF YOU WANT to buy or sell any kind of business, see CAVANAGH CO., 431 Fourth ave.

Machinery.
MACHINERY.
15" Lever Shear, capacity 3x8" bar.
1 Rotary Shear.
1 Hydraulic Bullet Shear.
40-lb. Bradley Helve Hammer.
150-lb. Bradley Helve Upright Hammer.
20" Bed Gould Shaping Machine.
12" Lewis Roll Lathe.
48" Roll Lathe.
6" Pipe Threading Machine.
Rotary Engines and Pumps.
WICKES BROS., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Both 'phones. Warehouses, 45th st. & A. V. Ry.

FOR SALE—Boilers and engines, all sizes, from 8 to 125 H. P., stationary and portable upright boilers and engines; large assortment of pipe, belting, pulleys and hangers, and large lot of miscellaneous machinery; second-hand belting, leather and rubber; large stock of all sizes at low prices; machinery of all kinds bought and exchanged.
JOHN S. YOUNG,
198-110 Park way, Allegheny, Pa.

TWO horizontal tubular boilers, 60"x16".
One 12"x16" center crank steam engine.
Two 10"x12" vertical steam engines.
One 6"x10" steam engine.
One 42"x42"x16 iron planer.
One 4½-foot radial drill press.
One single drum hoisting rig, engines, 6"x6".
GAUSMAN MACHINERY AND METAL CO.,
427 Canal Basin, Penn st., Allegheny City.

New—GAS ENGINES—Second-hand.
THE FAIRBANKS CO.,
236—Third Ave.—238.
4 —2 h. p., 1—4 h. p., 1—10 h. p., second-hand.
Horizontal and Vertical.

THE GODSON IGNITER.
GAS ENGINE—One 25 h. p. Rugar gas engine and 250-light generator, nearly new, for sale; also one 40 h. p. Rugar engine and one 7½ h. p., all in fine shape.
M. P. TYGARD,
Twenty-sixth st. and Liberty ave.

ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.
250-light generator with 25 h. p. Rugar gas engine, all complete and run less than two years; can be bought right also one 7½ h. p. and one 40 h. p. gas engine, in fine shape.
M. P. TYGARD,
Twenty-sixth st. and Liberty ave.

HOISTING ENGINES, DERRICKS
8½x10, double drum, with boiler.
7 x10, double drum, with boiler.
6 x10, double drum, with boiler.
Derrick, timbers and derricks.
CONTRACTORS' SUPPLY CO., PARK BLDG.

FOR SALE—Engines, boilers, sawmills, sand crushers, grinding mills, brick machinery, rock crushers, road machinery, traction engines, Dunbar engines, gasoline engines, cider mills, belting, hose, circular saws, general supplies.
B. D. REED, 32 Fifth st., Pittsburgh.

FOR SALE—Leather, rubber and canvas belting; new and second-hand; bargain prices. J. S. Young, 108-110 Park way, Allegheny, Pa.

Automobiles.
GAS ENGINES, woodworking machinery.
BRIGGS MACHINERY CO., 4th and Liberty.

Pianos.

A MAGNIFICENT Mahogany Upright Piano, used only six months, $345, cost $500. Here's a great piano bargain for Christmas. HOFFMANN'S, 537 Smithfield st.

PARLOR ORGAN, walnut case, good condition, $25; cost new $100; easy terms. HOFFMANN'S, 537 Smithfield st.

CRITERION MUSIC BOXES play over 1,000 tunes; the loudest and most tuneful music boxes made; $15 and upward prices. HOFFMANN'S, 537 Smithfield st.

A GOOD SQUARE PIANO, fine tone, responsive action, carved feet, only $80; easy terms; cost new, $400.
HOFFMANN'S,
537 Smithfield st.

PIANO—$430—Upright, with cover, stool; best condition; $204; guaranteed 10 years; sell cash, $100; Box 1694, Pittsburgh.

Typewriters.

REMINGTON TYPEWRITERS on rental; $3 per month and up; good work and prompt service guaranteed by our superior facilities and natural interest in the reputation of our machines.
REMINGTON TYPEWRITER CO.,
301 Wood street.
'Phones 2249 Court, 69 Main.

LARGEST stock of miscellaneous machines in the city; rentals, $2 up. PHILADELPHIA TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE, 513-4 Lewis building.

Jewelry.

NOT GOVERNED BY THE TRUST.
For above reason, we quote you following prices on our standard watches:
Our 20-year gold filled, 7-jewel lever case with genuine Elgin or Waltham movement for $10.75.
A solid gold 14-k. watch with genuine Elgin or Waltham movement warranted 5 years, $18.75.
Our set-in diamonds are as well as 40 per cent less than any other dealer in the city. All goods sold or exchanged; money will be cheerfully refunded. Remember, this offer is only good until December 24. Present this card in making a purchase.
KEYSTONE JEWELRY COMPANY,
610 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Musical Instruments.
MUSIC boxes from 25 cts. to $15; talking machines from $2.50 to $60; violins, mandolins, guitars and zithers from $1 to $100; concertinas from $2 to $15. Dealer in Berker Musical House, 601 Ohio st., Allegheny.

Birds and Dogs.
ANDREASSEN'S ROLLER—New lot of extra wonderful singers just received; also Mexican parrots, Cuban parrots, African parrots and all kinds of song birds; canaries a specialty; free, bird 'phones. New York Bird Store, 615 Smithfield st.

FOR SALE.

Miscellaneous.

J. G. LAUER'S
TOY HOUSE,
620 LIBERTY STREET.

TOYS AND GAMES WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
CHRISTMAS TOYS AND DOLLS.
Games and Amusements for Young and Old.
POPULAR TOYS AT POPULAR PRICES.
THE KIND THE CHILDREN WANT.
THE KIND THE PEOPLE BUY.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT
Elegant designs in imported lamp shades and gas portables; prices $50 to $150. Open evenings. Call and see them.
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PAINT PRESERVES PROPERTY.
Protect your house with good paint put on by a trustworthy painter.
P. J. BYRNE, 654 Fifth Ave.,
711 Forbes st. Both Telephones.

$5,000 CASH.
To buy second-hand furniture, carpets and stoves; highest cash price paid. See us first.
HEARN AUCTION CO., 608 PENN AVE.

FOR SALE—Bar fixtures, counters, desks, refrigerators, shelving, stools and pool tables. Forbes st., Fourth and Duquesne ave.

FINE SHOE REPAIRING fully guaranteed. P. CUTLER, 538 Third ave.

DIVIDENDS.

Office of the North American Savings Company, Fourth ave. and Market st.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 17, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The directors of this day, the regular quarterly dividend of TWO AND A HALF (2½) PER CENT was declared, payable January 1 to stockholders of record on that date. Checks will be mailed.
C. D. EVINGTON, Secretary.

OFFICE of the Excelsior Express & Standard Cab Company, 1129-1133 Liberty ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 18, 1903.—Dividend—The directors of the Excelsior Express & Standard Cab Company have this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT payable on and after January 1, 1904. Checks will be mailed. Yours truly,
GEO. FIEBICK, Cashier.

PHILADELPHIA COMPANY.
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 23, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The directors this day declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on the common stock of ONE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT (1½%), payable February 1, 1904, to stockholders of record January 2, 1904. Checks will be mailed.
C. J. BRAUN, JR., Treasurer.

Farmers Deposit National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 22, 1903.
CHRISTMAS DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared a "Christmas" dividend of SIX (6) PER CENT, out of the profits, payable forthwith. Checks will be mailed.
J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

CONSOLIDATED TRACTION COMPANY.
Treasurer's Department,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 23, 1903.
DIVIDEND—The directors this day declared the regular semi-annual dividend on the common stock of ONE PER CENT (1%), payable January 2, 1904, to stockholders of record December 26, 1903. Checks will be mailed.
C. J. BRAUN, JR., Treasurer.

PERSONALS.

DIAMONDS, jewelry, musical instruments for holidays.
Gold filled Elgin-Waltham watches..... $6.00
Diamond rings..... 6.00
Guitars..... 2.00
Mandolins..... 1.50
All goods guaranteed.
Open evenings.
CALLINGER,
1200 Penn ave.

SUPERFLUOUS HAIR.
Moles, warts, blackheads, etc., destroyed forever without pain or scar; 12 years' experience; consultation free at office or by letters.
HARRY H. GILMORE,
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PERSONAL—Do you know a good painter? If so, have him do your work; if not, send for P. J. BYRNE. All kinds of painting done in the best manner with the best material. 654 Fifth ave. Both telephones. 711 Forbes st.

TO ARCHITECTS AND OTHERS WHO know lettering and signs in keeping with architecture, or from design, by P. J. Byrne, painter, 654 Fifth ave. Both telephones.

PERSONAL—Reliable watch repairing. Cash paid for old gold. CHRIST HAUCH, 541 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 2321 Butler st. Both telephones.

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

Duquesne Transfer & Storage Co.

OFFICE,
17-18 Water St., Cor. Penn Ave.
Will do your moving.
Will store your goods.
Will do your hauling.
Will pack your goods for shipment.
All work guaranteed.

Duquesne Transfer & Storage Co.
Bell 'phone 1139 Court.

Allegheny Transfer and Storage Co.
MOVING. STORAGE.
PADDED VANS, LARGE WAGONS, PROPERLY HOUSED. CLEAN AND DRY. LOWEST PRICES, LOWEST INSURANCE RATE.
ALLEGHENY TRANSFER & STORAGE CO.,
640 West North ave., Allegheny.

NOTICES.

LANDLORDS, TAKE NOTICE!
Landlords and owners of houses, we serve quit notices without cost to you, and no charge for searching records of tenants. Peculiar standing has arisen concerning the entertainment to be given under the auspices of Fifteenth Home at Carnegie hall, Allegheny, on February 8, 1904. Those forgetting to be decided to cancel same and refund all money collected. All parties holding tickets will receive the cash price for same by presenting them at this office up to 5 o'clock p. m. of Saturday, January 2, 1904. H. L. Christy, attorney for Miss Tournearre.

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Class and private lessons in Voice, Physical Culture, Reading, Languages, Literature and Dramatic Culture. Special classes in Physical Culture, Elocution, Shakespeare, English and Dramatic Culture in the evening. Courses in stammering and speech defects a specialty. Prices reduced and costumes rented. Send for circulars.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The Fourteenth National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 21, 1903.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth avenue and Union street, Tuesday, January 12, 1904, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
H. C. WETTENGEL, Cashier.

FINANCIAL.

CORPORATIONS CHARTERED at small cost, under the new liberal laws of the District of Columbia; we furnish seal, minutes, by-laws, etc.; no fees; write for free booklet. Corporation Trust Co., 1105 F st., N. W., Washington, D. C.

DANCING ACADEMIES.

JAMES R. BROOKS' Dancing Academy,

A CHRISTMAS BOOM IN WALL STREET STOCKS

The Whole Market Closed Strong at the Top Prices. Lake Shore Dividend Increased—Good Advance in Westinghouse Electric.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

Wall street enjoyed a little boom yesterday, and the strength of the market at the close suggested that the advance might be carried further today, adding to the cheer of the bulls over the Christmas holidays. It not infrequently happens at this season that the Vanderbilt stocks and the high grade investment issues are taken up with the idea of suggesting that the investor is in the market. This class of securities led the advance yesterday, and the bulls made the most of the declaration of a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent on Lake Shore, placing the stock on an 8 per cent basis, as compared with 7 per cent last year. This action was responsible for an advance of nearly 2 points in New York Central, which sold at 129, although it is in effect merely a matter of bookkeeping, since New York Central practically owns and operates Lake Shore. The other Vanderbilt dividends were also declared, including 1¼ per cent quarterly on New York Central, 2 per cent semi-annual on Michigan Central, 1½ per cent semi-annual on Canada Southern and 2 per cent semi-annual on Lake Erie & Western preferred. The common stock of the latter company advanced 1 per cent to 30, and Big Four advanced 2¼ per cent to 79¾. The financial reports of the various roads were not particularly bullish. For the calendar year 1903 Lake Shore's estimated surplus after fixed charges and dividends amounted to $7,350,000, a decrease of $2,520,000, compared with 1902. The net earnings of Michigan Central for 1903 showed an increase of only $163,000. The New York Central figures for the current quarter, partly estimated, showed surplus earnings of $502,000, against $244,000 for the corresponding quarter last year. For the half year from July 1 the surplus was estimated at $1,686,000, a decrease of $66,000.

Delaware & Hudson scored a five-point gain by selling up to 165¾, and Delaware, Lackawanna & Western and Chicago & Northwestern were also higher. In the industrial list Westinghouse Electric was conspicuous for an advance of 7 per cent, and General Electric advanced 4¼ per cent. These movements caused uneasiness among the shorts in the remainder of the list, and this feeling was increased by the higher quotations received from London. During the first two hours the dealings were extremely light, amounting to only a little more than 100,000 shares, but as the day wore along and the strength of the specialties was well maintained, the whole market became more active and advanced without reaction to the close. Rock Island was an exception, declining to 22¾ for the common and 48¾ for the preferred, although both subsequently recovered the loss. The report that the company was about to enter the market with an issue of bonds was officially denied, but the impression in the street was that the proposed operation is merely delayed for more favorable monetary conditions. The Rapid Transit was conspicuous by its strength, crossing 80 on a report that the company had made the necessary financial arrangements for obtaining the means for carrying out its plan of improvements. The other traction stocks were firm and higher. Pennsylvania, Baltimore & Ohio, Reading and the grangers were all firm, but the net gains were not large.

United States Steel preferred also got into line with the advancing tendency and after selling up to 53½, closed at 55¼ bid, a net gain of 1¼ per cent for the day. The new bonds advanced to and closed at 70. The minor iron and steel issues were quiet but firm. Amalgamated Copper opened at 47¾ and advanced to 48¾, closing at 48⅜ bid, and Standard Oil interests were credited with heavy purchases. Consolidated Gas continued its advance, reaching 165¾, and Peoples Gas was higher at 99. The movement in the general list during the latter part of the session was generally ascribed to shorts covering.

Commodity markets also seemed to feel the effects of approaching Christmas cheer and were strong and higher. Cotton made another new high price record, the May option jumping to 13.80 cents, but it reacted to and closed at 13.58. Wheat, corn and provisions advanced, and there was increased speculation in the latter.

There was very little change in the money market, call loans ranging between 3½ and 4 per cent. While the stock exchanges will be closed tomorrow and the next day, the banks will reopen for business on Saturday, and a favorable statement is assured.

More than a third of the business on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday was in Westinghouse Electric, which was very strong, advancing to and closing at 81½, a gain for the day of $2 50 a share. The company declared quarterly dividends of 2½ per cent on both classes of stock, thereby putting them firmly on a 10 per cent basis. Manufacturers Light & Heat and Pittsburgh Coal preferred furnished another third of the day's business, and both closed fractionally higher. Crucible Steel preferred rallied to 78. There were no transactions in United States Steel common and preferred and no dealings in bonds.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Sales on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday foot up only 1,844 shares, as follows:

10 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

25 Crucible	4⅛	50 Pgh. Coal	17⅛
20 do	4⅛	50 do	17⅛
100 Mfrs. L. & H.	29¼		

10:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.

10 Pgh. Coal pfd.	89½	25 Crucible pfd.	78½
5 do	89⅜	65 Electric Zinc	78
7 do	89⅜	15 do	78
140 Crucible pfd.	78½	15 do	79
15 do	78½	8 do	78
5 do	78½		

12:30 P. M. to 2 P. M.

10 Electric Zinc	79	1 Electric Sec	80
10 do	79⅛	25 Cons. Ice	4
15 do	79⅛	10 Mfrs. L. & H.	29½
15 do	78⅝	5 do	29½
36 do	78⅝	100 Pgh. Coal pfd.	89⅜
20 do	79⅛		

2 P. M. to 3 P. M.

100 Electric Zinc	80½	50 Pgh. Coal pfd.	89½
10 do	80¾	50 do	89½
50 do	80¾	100 do	89¾
50 do	81	15 do	89¾
25 do	81½	30 do	89¾
50 do	81¾	50 do	89¾
10 do	81½	35 do	89½
50 do	81½	15 do	89½
25 do	81¾	70 do	89½
25 do	81⅝	10 Fire Proof pf.	92½
50 do	81½	50 do	92½
50 do	81½	50 do	92½
50 Pgh. Coal pfd.	89⅝	40 do	89⅝

Summary.

Shares.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	Chge.
25 Cent. Ice	4	4	4	0
45 Crucible Steel	4¼	4	4	—⅛
215 Do pfd.	78½	78½	78½	+⅝
150 Fireproofing pf.	92½	92½	92½	0

STOCKS. Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close. Bids.
341 Mfrs. L. & H.	79	79⅞	79⅛	+⅛
100 Pgh. Coal	17⅜	17⅜	17⅛	+⅛
297 Do pfd	89⅜	89	89½	+⅛
371 West. Elec.	81½	79	81½	+2½
1844				

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Par.	Bid.	Ask.
Mfrs. Light & Heat	50	29¼	
Ohio Fuel Supply	25	37	
Luster Mining	10	9	10
West. Electric 1st pfd.	50	94	
Do 2d preferred	50	81½	82
Consolidated Ice	50	3¼	
Do preferred	50		34½
Crucible Steel	100	4	4¼
Do preferred	100	28¾	28¾
Monon. River Coal	50	80	
Do preferred	50		98½
Marsden	100	2½	
National Fire Proof	50	6	
Do preferred	50	23½	24
Pittsburgh Brewing pfd.	50	43	44
Pittsburgh Coal	100		17¼
Do preferred	100	59½	59½
United States Steel pfd.	100	55¼	
BONDS.			
B., K. & A. Traction 6s		115½	
Consolidated Gas 6s			108½
Monon. River Coal 6s		111¼	
Philadelphia Co. 5s			110
Pittsburgh Brewing 6s		113	
Junction Ry. 1st mtg. 6s		119	
Do 2d mtg. 5s		102	

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Westinghouse Electric led the advance both in New York and Pittsburgh yesterday, in the former market it advanced from the equivalent of 79 to 82½, and closed at 82¾ bid, a gain of 7 per cent for the day. In Pittsburgh it advanced from 79 to 81½ and closed at the top. The only news was the action of the directors in declaring quarterly dividends of 2½ per cent on both classes of stock, payable January 11 to stock of record December 31. The fact that General Electric was also strong was responsible for rumors both here and in the east of a deal between the two companies, but there was no reliable information on this point. The current reports indicate that neither company is affected by the reaction in business noticed elsewhere, and this was referred to as probably having something to do with the strength. Here in Pittsburgh there is a pretty general feeling that Electric will some time adopt the dividend policy of Airbrake, and declare "extras" as earnings warrant.

For the first time in a long while there were no transactions in United States Steel stocks on the Pittsburgh Board yesterday, and no quotations were made on the common. Current reports have represented officials of the company as taking a rather gloomy view of the outlook for trade, but if Bill Dalzell is to be believed this was probably true, but since the reaffirmation of pool prices there has been a distinct improvement in sentiment. An official of one of the large independent companies in this city for the statement made yesterday that the outlook is very much brighter than it was two weeks ago, and that it expectations as to easy money is realized in January, business will show improvement early in the new year.

The regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent was declared yesterday on the old Rock Island stock, payable January 6.

A block of $31,000 Southern Traction 5s changed hands yesterday at 108½, Speer Bros. to Humphries Miller.

The Union Switch and Signal Company has declared the regular quarterly dividends of 2 per cent on the preferred and 2 per cent on the common, payable January 11.

At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Philadelphia company, held yesterday afternoon, George H. Earle, Jr., of Philadelphia was elected a member of the board to take the place made vacant by the death of William L. Elkins of Philadelphia. The directors declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent on the common stock, payable February 1, 1904, to stockholders of record January 15, 1904. The directors of the Consolidated Traction Company, one of the underlying concerns, declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 1 per cent on the common stock, payable January 30, 1904, to stockholders of record December 28, 1903. The directors of the United Traction Company, another underlying concern, declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 2½ per cent on the preferred stock, payable January 30, 1904, to stockholders of record January 9, 1904.

A Wall street house wired after the close of the market: "The sharp rise in the electric manufacturing stocks, particularly Westinghouse, is justified by some facts which we learned today from their earnings. We hear that the General Electric Company since the end of the last fiscal year has shown increase in gross sales of over $2,000,000. We may assume that none of this business is taken at a loss. Westinghouse's will no doubt be fully as satisfactory."

The United States National bank has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent.

The regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on Manufacturers Light and Heat is payable January 30 to stock of record January 1.

The Dollar Savings bank reports total deposits as of December 1 of $21,646,856. This is an increase of $83,747 for the 11 days from the 17th of November, when the bank made its report to the state commissioner of banking.

The Excelsior Express and Standard Cab Company has declared a dividend of 5 per cent, payable January 1.

The Guarantee Title and Trust Company has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 4½ per cent.

The Iron City National bank board yesterday voted the employes a months' salary as a Christmas present.

"H. C. Frick owns 54,000 shares of Pennsylvania and 50,000 shares of Baltimore & Ohio. He owns about 30,000 shares in three other railroads, making his total holdings of railroad stocks about 134,000 shares. E. H. Harriman owns an even 100,000 shares of Union Pacific, and is also a large holder of Southern Pacific. Erie, Illinois Central and Chicago & Alton, together Mr. Rockefeller is said to own something like 150,000 shares of railroad stock. William Rockefeller is said to be the largest individual holder of New York Central. John D. Rockefeller is a very large individual in all of the Gould roads. E. J. Berwind was, and probably still is, the largest individual holder of Atchison. James J. Hill is the largest single holder of Great Northern and Northern Securities stocks."—New York Commercial.

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

A large ore body has been encountered in the Hershberger tunnel, on Cameron mountain, 12 miles north of Saltillo. The ore is a red hematite and carried high values in gold, but no assays have yet been obtained. The ore is pronounced by experienced miners to be the finest ever taken from a mine in this section of Pennsylvania.—Cleveland Leader.

James F. Burns, president of the Portland Gold Mining Company, after inspecting the new finds recently made on the Portland, said: "Some of the stories that have been sent out in regard to the mine have been exaggerated. In fact, little has been told of the wonderful mineral wealth recently opened up in our mine. The output this month will be the greatest of any month in the mine's tonnage, while other months have exceeded it in value on account of the higher grade of ore shipped to the smelters. The total production for the Portland for the year closing will be the heaviest in its history and also the greatest ever shipped from any gold producing mine in Colorado."

The Owl Mining Company, owned by Silver City and El Paso capital, located nine miles from Silver City, N. M., is reported to have struck a rich oil deposit at 750 feet in depth, that shows values of $5,000 a ton. The vein is eight inches wide.

Sen. Johnson, a capitalist of Beaumont, Tex., is making arrangements to build a 50-ton smelter in the Burro mountains, 13 miles from Silver City, N. M. The lumber for the new enterprise is already on the ground and the machinery has been ordered from a Denver house. Mr. Johnson says the plant will be running by March 1 and possibly by the 1st of February. The plant will be a gravity affair and will be strictly modern in every respect. The Burro mountain district is outside of Santa Rita, the most productive copper section in Grant county of any mining section in the state.

A cloudburst, which swept down the Little Bear creek, near Corbin, Jefferson county, Mont., may result in the discovery of a large copper camp. The water plowed a deep furrow in the earth, uncovering some rich specimens of copper.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Spot tin declined 15s in London, closing at £125 5s, while futures were 10s lower at £120 10s. Locally tin was quiet and steady. Copper for spot and futures declined 2s 6d in London to £56 12s 6d for spot and £56 5s for futures. Locally copper was dull. Lake is quoted at $12 37½@12 62½, electrolytic at $12 25@12 50, and casting at $12 12½@12 37½. Lead, declining 1s 3d in London to £11 2s 9d, and steady to unchanged here at 4.37½, for small lots and $4.35 for carload lots. Spelter declined 2s 6d in London, closing at a decline of 2s 6d to £23 5s, while here it was called with spot quoted at $5 05 from closed 4.90 to 5 in Glasgow, and at 4.85 to 4.90 in Middlesboro. Pig iron was unchanged. No. 1 foundry northern is quoted at $15 00@15 50, No. 1 foundry southern and No. 1 foundry southern soft at $14 00@15 00.

PITTSBURGH INDUSTRIAL EXCHANGE.

Closing quotations:	Bid.	Asked.
Com. Mercur (Utah)	.50	.60
Decatur Copper	.43	.50
Hidden Fortune G. M.	.02½	.03½
Pittsburgh Portugal	40.00	45.00
Sunbeam M. M. & M.	.40	.50
Tonopah Mining	6.50	7.50
Treadwell, Geo. A.	6.00	7.50
Twentieth Century (Out.)	1.25	2.50
Unexcelled Oil	.50	.60
U. S. Packing	.90	1.00
SALES.		
100 shares Hidden Fortune		.27½
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1500 shares Tonopah Extension		.30
2 shares Marconi (full share)		40.00
1000 shares U. S. Packing		1.00

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close. Bids.
Allouez	50¾	51¼	51	51¼
Bingham	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾
Cal. & Arizona	80	80	80	81
Franklin	25½	25½	25½	25½
Lake Sup. & Pah.	7	7	7	7
Michigan	38½	39	38¾	38¾
Mohawk	61	61	61	61
Old Dominion	31¼	31¾	31¼	31¾
Osceola	72¾	73	72¾	73
Pneumatic	4	4	4	4
Quincy	84	84	83½	84
Rhode Island	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝
Trinity	15	15¼	15	15¼
Victoria	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼
Winona	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
Wyandot	2	2	2	2

*Bid. †Asked.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Con.	.25	Little Chief	.06
Alice	.13	Ontario	6.00
Breece	.10	Ophir	1.50
Brunswick Con.	.04	Potosi	.15
Comstock Tun.	.05½	Potosi	.15
Con. Cal. & Va.	.90	Savage	.08
Horn Silver	1.10	Sierra Nevada	.40
Iron Silver	1.60	Small Hopes	.05
Lacelle Con.	.02	Standard	1.50

*Offered.

ARBITRATION TREATY FOR ITALY AND CUBA

ROME, Dec. 23.—Signor Savina, Italian minister to Cuba, has been authorized to sign a treaty of commerce and navigation between Italy and Cuba, including provisions for arbitration of disputes.

Slot Machines Destroyed.

County Detective Robert G. Robinson, superintended the wrecking of a number of slot machines in the court house yesterday. These machines are different from those throughout the county, as their existence is contrary to law. There were 20 machines, each valued at from $100 to $200, destroyed.

Standard Investment Bonds.

The Colonial Trust Company, 317 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, offers for sale a variety of bonds, yielding the purchaser from 4½ to 6 per cent, which it recommends as desirable investments.

Inquire of Alexander C. Thompson, manager bond department.

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Bank exchanges were $3,097,714, an increase of $256,000.

Sales on the stock exchange foot up only 1,844 shares.

Westinghouse Electric the strongest stock, advancing to 81½.

Quarterly dividends of 2½ per cent declared on both classes of Electric stock.

Pittsburgh Coal preferred advanced to 89¾ and reacted to 89½.

Crucible preferred rallied to 78½ and Light and Heat to 30.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day 328,000 shares.

Practically all the trading was within stock exchange body itself, but prices were strong.

Feature of the day was the response the Vanderbilt stocks made to the advance in Lake Shore dividends.

A 3 per cent decline in Lake Erie & Western was the marked exception in the above mentioned group.

Amalgamated Copper was active and strong, sales being 22,450 shares; high 48⅞.

Bond market was firm, with sales $2,975,000 (par value).

COMPLETE RECORD NEW YORK STOCKS

Daily range of prices reported by Messrs. Henry Clews & Co., Peoples Savings Bank building, members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

ACTIVE LIST.

Sales	STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
1850	Atchison	67¾	68	67¾	68¼
	Do preferred	91½	91½		
2700	Am. Cotton Oil	30¾	30¾	30¾	30¾
	Do preferred	78½	78½		
27800	Am. Smelting	47¾	48⅝	47¾	48⅜
1700	Am. Locomotive	34¼	34¼	33¾	33¾
100	Do preferred	78½	78½		
1100	Am. Car & Foun.	34	34	33¾	33¾
100	Do preferred	89	89	89	89
29400	Amal. Copper	47¾	48⅝	47¾	48⅜
200	Anaconda Copper	45	45	45	45
1700	Balt. & Ohio	97	97	96¾	96¾
800	Do preferred	91½	92¼	91½	92¼
	American Ice	8	8	8	8
	Do preferred	75¼	75¼		
5150	B. R. T.	75¼	75¾	74¾	75¼
2650	C. R. Trans.	31¼	31¼	31	31
1400	Can. Pacific	133¾	134	133¾	133¾
100	Chi. & G. W.	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾
1700	Chi. & N. W.	178½	179	178½	179
2440	C. C. C. & St. L.	97	97	96¾	96¾
300	C. & O.	54¼	54¼	54	54
200	Chi. & Alton	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
200	Do preferred	74½	74½	74½	74½
2900	Chi. & Mass.	160½	160½	160½	160½
200	Chi. Pneu. & Iron	20½	20½	20½	20½
	Do preferred	70	70	70	70
	Chi. & West.	160½	160½	160½	160½
250	Col. Southern	14	14	13¾	13¾
100	Do 1st pfd.	34	34	34	34
100	Do 2d pfd.	21	21	21	21
1600	D., L. & W.	264½	265	263½	265
4150	Del. & Hudson	165¾	166¾	165¾	166¾
1615	Erie	30¾	30¾	30¾	30¾
	Do 1st pfd.	57¾	57¾	57¾	57¾
	Do 2d pfd.	47¾	47¾	47¾	47¾
1750	Gen. Electric	165	169	165	169
1100	Kan. & Tex.	14	14	13¾	13¾
	Do pfd.	41	41	41	41
1150	Lake Shore	129	129	128¾	128¾
200	Iowa Central	20	20	20	20
	Do pfd.	50	50	50	50
	L. & N.	125	125	125	125
1500	L. & N. A.	90	90	90	90
1000	Manhattan	142	142½	142	142½
3000	Mo. Pacific	98	98	97¾	97¾
200	M., S. & T. pfd.	68	68	68	68
	Metropolitan	140	140	140	140
	Minneapolis Central	36	36	36	36
600	National Lead	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾
6000	N. Y. Central	128½	129½	128½	129½
1000	N. Y., Ont. & W.	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾
1900	N. & W.	61¾	61¾	61¾	61¾
4900	Pacific Mail	47¾	48	47¾	48
4900	Pennsylvania	142¾	143¼	142¾	143¼
	People, R. R.	117¾	118	117¾	118
	P., C. & St. L.				
	Do preferred	95	95	95	95
11200	Reading	48¾	49¾	48¾	49¾
	Do 1st pfd.	75	75	75	75
	Do preferred	53¾	54¼	53¾	54¼
18400	Rock Island	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾
2000	Do preferred	48¾	48¾	48¾	48¾
200	Republic Iron pfd.	40	40	40	40
100	Rio Grande pfd.	70	70	70	70
1600	Southern Pacific	49¾	49¾	49¾	49¾
1816	Southern Railway	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¾
450	Do preferred	65	65	65	65
1850	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	68	68	68	68
1870	Tenn. Coal & Iron	68¾	68¾	68¾	68¾
1100	Texas & P. Ry.	33¾	33¾	33¾	33¾
1000	U. S. Rub.	23¾	23¾	23¾	23¾
100	Do preferred	84½	84½	84½	84½
25100	U. S. Steel	34¾	35¼	34¾	35¼
8800	Union Pacific	98¾	99¾	98¾	99¾
500	Do preferred	84½	84½	84½	84½
1400	U. S. Steel	53¾	55¼	53¾	55¼
176	Wabash	20	20	20	20
600	Do preferred	36½	36½	36½	36½
1000	Western Union	86¾	86¾	86¾	86¾
100	W. U. Telegraph	84½	84½	84½	84½
1100	Wheeling & L. E.	17¾	18	17¾	18
200	Do preferred	41½	41½	41½	41½

INACTIVE LIST.

100	Am. Sugar & Ref.	129	129	127½
100	Can. So.	50¾	50¾	50¾
100	Del. South R.	30	30	30
100	D. & R. & G. pfd	89	89	89
100	Gt. N. pfd.	179	179	179
100	Ill. Central	134	134	134
100	N. R. A. C. pfd.	95	95	95
100	N. R. G. of M. pfd	95	95	95
100	N. Y. & N. H.	200	200	200
100	Nor. & W. pfd.	79	79	79
100	Nor. Pac.	204	204	204
100	Nor. Pfd.	95	95	95
100	Twin City	112	112	112
100	Va. Iron, C. & C.	89	89	89
100	Do 2d pfd.	89	89	89
100	Va.-Car. Chem.	70	70	70
	Do preferred	115	115	115
200	Do 2d pfd.	85	85	85
100	Wis. Cent.	19½	19½	19½
	Do 1st pfd.	43	43	43
100	Do 2d pfd.	19½	19½	19½

$5000 Total sales.

CLOSING PRICES NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. reg. 2s, reg.	100	L. & N. unf. 4s	100½
Do coupon	100½	Mex. Central 4s	79
U. S. 3s, reg.	107½	Mex. Central 1st	90
Do coupon	107½	Mex. Central 2d	30
U. S. new 4s, reg.	139¼	M., K. & T. 4s	97

*Offered. *Bid.

New York Curb Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Speuel & Co.)

Amer. Electric	27	Telec. Bell 5s	97
Amer. Chicle	90	Standard Oil 5s	113
Amer. Can.	12½	Am. Can. 6s	103
Amer. Can. pfd.	70	Am. Can. Deben. 6s	90
Do preferred	37½	Cuban Central 6s	90
Am. Sugar Ref.	130	Cuban Ry. 6s	90
Am. Sugar Ref. pfd.	116	Cuban Ry. 1st 5s	90
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	71	Cuban Ry. 1st 5s	90
Central Foundry	7	Nev. Securities	75
Central Foundry pfd.	50	Nev. Securities pfd.	90
Distill. Sec.	16	Peoples Gas 5s	90
Distillers' Sec. pfd.	45	Royal R. Pow. pf.	95
Electric Vehicle	5½	Standard Ry. Inv.	19
Electric Vehicle pfd.	15	Tenn. Copper	90
Greene Con. Cop.	12½	Tenn. Copper pfd.	90
Havana Com.	24½	Texas Co.	90
Do preferred	75	Union Typewriter	90
Int. Paper	9	Union Typewriter pf.	90
Do preferred	50	U. S. Envelope	90
Later Sec.	11	White Knob	90

Philadelphia Closing Bids.

Amer. Cement	47½	Penna. Salt	70
Amer. Railways	27½	Do preferred	50
Cambria Steel	17¾	Do preferred	50
Elec. Co. of Am.	3	Phila. & Reading	48½
Com. Trac. N. J.	66	Phila. & Erie	30
Con. Gas	198	Phila. Electric	4½
Do preferred	98	Phila. Traction	96½
Elec. Storage Bat.	46	Phila. Gas	8
Do preferred	75	Phila. Gas pfd.	90
Insurance Co. of N. A.	90	Phila. Gas 5s	90
Lehigh Nav.	75	Phila. Gas 6s	90
Lehigh Valley	58	Phila. Gas 6s	90
Do preferred	50	Phila. Gas 6s	90
New York, L. & W.	5	Phila. Gas 6s	90
Do preferred	20	Phila. Gas 6s	90
Penna. R. R.	58½	Phila. Gas 6s	90

*Asked.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

Atchison	67¾	Mexican Central	21½
Do preferred	91½	Mont. & Mass.	128½
Boston & Albany	260	Old Colony	210
Boston & Maine	196	Rubber Co.	9
Boston Elevated	150	Do preferred	47½
Boston & Lowell	260	Tamarack	67½
Boston & N. Y. Air Line	7	Union Pacific	98¾
Boston & Providence	270	Do preferred	84½
Boston Suburban	90	U. S. Steel	35¼
Boston & Albany	260	Do preferred	85¼
Chicago Junction	15	U. S. Steel 5s	90
Fitchburg pfd.	137½	U. S. Rubber	23¾
Mexican Central	21½	Do preferred	84½

*Asked.

Electric Stocks at Boston.

Westinghouse	80	Mass. Electric	27
General Electric	167	Do preferred	75½

Alleges Ill-Treatment in Jail.

Sergt. Thomas Sterrick, Janitor Edward Levy and Robert Smothers of the Central police station gave bail yesterday before Alderman John Groetzinger on charges of aggravated assault and battery, preferred by Richard Bound, who alleges these three officers took him from his cell at the station house on November 1 and beat him into insensibility when he asked for a glass of water. Bound was arrested for disorderly conduct.

MOVEMENTS IN TRADE.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £1,000,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The directors of the Lake Shore railroad declared a 4 per cent annual dividend. The last dividend was for one per cent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—National bank notes received today for redemption, $1,000,000; for circulation, $1,000,000; total, $2,000,000. Bonds on deposit to secure circulation, $1,013,000; circulation based thereon, $1,012,450; bonds on deposit to secure deposits, $1,000,000; bonds on deposit to secure United States deposits, $1,000,000; total bonds on deposit, $3,013,000; bonds purchased during the month, $1,000,000; bonds exchanged during the month, $1,000,000; bonds retired during the month, $1,000,000; total bonds outstanding, $46,251,500; total circulation, $34,521,206; total deposits this date, $46,621,206; total United States deposits, $1,000,000; total reserve, $13,000,000; reserve required, $11,655,301; excess reserve this week, $1,344,699; excess reserve last week, $1,344,699; decrease this week, $1,344,699; total loans this date, $47,000,000; total loans last week, $47,000,000; increase this week, $1,344,699; specie this date, $13,000,000; specie last week, $13,000,000; increase this week, $1,344,699; legal tender this date, $1,000,000; legal tender last week, $1,000,000; increase this week, $1,344,699; total reserve this date, $14,000,000; total reserve last week, $14,000,000; increase this week, $1,344,699; circulation this month, $1,000,000; circulation last month, $1,000,000; increase this month, $1,344,699; deposits this month, $1,000,000; deposits last month, $1,000,000; increase this month, $1,344,699; expenditures this day, $1,000,000; expenditures this month, $1,000,000; total expenditures this year, $1,000,000; receipts this month, $1,000,000; receipts this year, $1,000,000; total amount of bonds held to secure United States deposits, $1,000,000; total amount of bonds held to secure national bank notes, $1,000,000; total amount of bonds held to secure circulation, $1,000,000; total amount of bonds held to secure deposits

PRICES ARE FIXED, TRADE BETTER

Action of Pools in Reaffirming Iron and Steel Quotations Helps Market.

BIG BUSINESS IS IN SIGHT

Steel manufacturers of the Pittsburgh district have been somewhat surprised at the steadiness with which the demand for various finished lines has kept up during the past week, and especially through the first part of this week. Inasmuch as the holiday season has practically begun, it had been expected that the demand would drop appreciably below that of the past two or three weeks, but this did not prove the case.

Within the past week there has been a development ranking in its first importance to the iron and steel trade of the country, in the fixing of prices for the coming year on the same basis as established at the pool meetings in November. This is understood to mark a most thorough organization of the manufacturers. Every possible effort was made to bring the prices lower, the fight on billets, structural material and rails being especially strong, but all were unsuccessful. The outcome indicates clearly the distinctly different conditions prevailing now as contrasted with those of only a few years ago. The time when pools agreed on prices, but each member knew that each of the others would shade that price if necessary to take a piece of business, seems to have passed, and the prices fixed by the pools are now fixed for selling steel. When the pools adjourned after the New York meetings the prices were established for 1904.

Adjourned for Months.

The adjournments were for long periods, the plate, bar and general structural pools to meet in July, and the steel rail and steel billet pools to meet in May. Even then it is expected that only routine business will come up.

With prices fixed firmly as the pools have gone, there is no further apparent reason for buyers holding off. The hope that the January meeting will bring about reductions had beyond doubt been largely instrumental in causing the slowness of orders. Nothing has been gained for the consumers, however by this delay. They can get no more at the same prices they could have obtained at any time after the middle of November.

It will take about two weeks, manufacturers believe, for the iron and steel market to resume activity after the holidays. Many confidently predict the trade will again be very active. Orders are already coming in for enough large stocks to show that this will be the case. Some of the largest and closest buyers in the country are closing contracts, and very quietly a few large contracts have already been closed locally.

Sentiment is Healthy.

There is no longer doubt as to the healthiness of the sentiment. The belief is strong that there is nothing really wrong with the underlying conditions that should cause a suspension of the present activity, or a lowering of the money market and the improved tone of the stock market, both of which are now in evidence, the iron and steel business will follow suit again the coming January 15.

The coke situation is unchanged. The meeting of the committee that will finally settle all details of the output restriction plan to be put in force is postponed for a number of reasons from time to time, but it is believed that this committee will get together early next week. Foundry coke is in good demand and spot contracts are being closed for delivery throughout the month on a uniform price of $2 65 for the consumers. The most strenuous efforts are being made to obtain 72-hour Connellsville coke at a lower price by claims that certain of the coke from the plant in which a deal is being made are shading the price, but the plan is not working very satisfactorily. Furnace coke is not in much demand. Under these conditions prices on the furnaces the sales cannot be expected to improve greatly. The price for the year will be $2 the ton, it is generally believed.

Hardware Trade Good.

The hardware market, which has consistently refused to reflect any depression, continues active still. The demands are, if anything, for more than the supplies at the same time in former years. Season goods of excellent quality are in demand at good prices. The demand is so brisk that there has been no real cutting prices in order to secure trade. The activity of the building trades in sections where there have been no conflicts with labor unions is shown by the heavy demand for carpenters, masons, and other agricultural artisans tools throughout the country districts.

Revised Quotations.

Below are given quotations in various lines of iron and steel as fixed by recent sales or by trade agreements.

Bessemer pig iron—A ton, $14 00@18 25, Pittsburgh.

No. 2 foundry iron—A ton, Pittsburgh, $13 00@14 00.

Gray forge—A ton, Pittsburgh, $13 50.

Billets—Open hearth, $23 a ton; Bessemer, $22, Pittsburgh delivery.

Pittsburgh-manufactured iron—In large lots, $60, delivered at Pittsburgh; in small lots, $62 the ton.

Muck bar—A 40c, $28.

Steel rails—Standard sections, $28 a ton for 60-pounds and heavier rails; $29 for angles and $32 for less than car lots; small sections, 20 to 40 pounds per yard, $37 a gross ton; 16 pounds, $24; 12-pound, $33; 8-pound, $37.

Structural shapes—Beams and channels, 8 to 15 inches, $100 to 100 pounds; 4 inches, 18 to 24 inches, $1 70; angles, 3 to 6 inches and over, $1 65.

Steel plates—Tank plates, $1 60 the 100 pounds; flange quality, $1 70; ordinary grades, $1 50.

Merchant steel—Tire steel, $2 15@2 25 for 100 pounds; spring steel, $2 25@2 35; toe calk, $2 75@3; 50 to 100 pounds of one size and not less than 1,000, these prices are subject to an additional 10 cents on the prices for 100 pounds, and no less than 1,000 pounds, 50 cents additional.

Cold-rolled shafting quotations continue at 47 per cent off the list in car and larger lots and 42 per cent on less than car lots.

Pin plates—In box and larger lots to recognized jobbers, $3 80; in the city, 75 cents to add a minimum freight rate of 10 cents per 100 for Pittsburgh delivery.

Black and galvanized sheets—Prices range from $2 90 for 100 pounds on the 28 gauge, black sheets, bought in 500-bundle and larger lots to recognized jobbers, while the advanced product ranges from $3 65 on the No. 28 gauge.

Merchant pipe—Discount to jobbers buying car and larger lots are as follows:

	Black.	Galv.
	P.c.	P.c.
½-inch	70	60
¾, ½ and ⅝-inch	68	58
¾ to 6-inch	73	65
7 to 12-inch	69	59

Wrought iron.

¼, ⅜ and ½-inch	65	55
½-inch	67	57
⅝ to 6-inch	72	62
7 to 12-inch	66	56

For short lengths, extra long, plain ends, threads and couplings, the prices are higher.

⅛ to ¼ inches	58
⅜ to ½ inches	60
¾ to 4 inches	63
4½ to 12 inches	63

Hardware Quotations.

The following quotations are furnished by the Bradley Hardware Company:

Wire nails, $1 95 in car lots, $2 05 base, in less than car lots; iron cut nails, $2 20 in car lots, $2 30 base, in less than car lots; plain galvanized wire, $2 15 in car lots, $2 25 base, in less than car lots; galvanized barbed wire, $2 50 in car lots, $2 65 base, in less than car lots; Columbia pocket knives, discount 35 cent; Albion hatchets, discount 50 per cent; Sieving shotguns and rifles, discount 25 per cent; Kelley canal shovels, $8 50 per dozen; Great Western files, discount 70 and 10 per cent; window glass, 90 and 10 per cent from list October 1, 1903, in less than car lots; sheet iron, base, No. 26, $2 85 per 100 pounds; galvanized sheet iron, discount 70 and 10 per cent; cash weights, per ton, $30.

ENCOURAGING REPORTS FROM PIG IRON CENTERS

Great Bulk of the Business Was Done at $9 50 and Some at $10.

[By Private Wire to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The Iron Age will print tomorrow the following:

From the leading distributing centers of pig iron encouraging reports continue to come in, the only exception being that our Cincinnati correspondent notes occasional sales of southern iron at $9 25 for No. 2 foundry at Birmingham, the great bulk of the business, however, being done at $9 50 and some of it at $10. Chicago notes that the lower grades, like gray forge and mottled, have not yet participated in the full upward turn from the lowest level. Northern makers have been doing a fair business at the old prices. It being noted that New England particularly is buying comparatively freely. Probably the largest transaction of the week has been the purchase of about 20,000 tons of pig iron, chiefly of Virginia make, by a pipe foundry.

It may be noted that in the cast iron pipe industry history is apparently repeating itself. It has been observed during former booms that this industry maintains its activity very much longer than other branches. Usually the volume is maintained when consumption drops off all around and prosperity outlasts the vanishing boom.

From Pittsburgh comes the report of a large movement in malleable Bessemer pig iron, for delivery during the first quarter and the first half of next year. It is estimated that 15,000 tons have already been sold on the basis of $13, or slightly lower, valley furnace.

It is not altogether too early to judge of the effect of the readjusting of prices for steel billets and for the finished bars in which consolidations operate. At the time of the new year buyers naturally delay such business as can be carried over into the next year. It is impossible to judge, therefore, how much tonnage, withheld before the re-rollings, is to be forced out by the urgent requirements in spite of prices, to the plate trade a fair aggregate of orders has been taken in, especially in the east.

The structural trade, on the other hand, continues light, and there is noted the disparity in prices between the lighter sections which belong to the bar group and the heavier sections of structural character. The contract for the Union depot at Washington has not yet been actually let. Instead of calling for 25,000 tons of steel, as originally planned, it will need only about 15,000 to 8,000 tons, the being due to the fact that the plans have been changes in the designs of train shed.

In the rail trade the only new development is the movement to get together all the makers of Bessemer rails with the object of bringing these sections into line with the standard sections.

The bar iron manufacturers east of Pittsburgh at a recent meeting have decided to turn the entire force of munufacturing plants to a maximum of four days per week. They do not attempt to fix prices, but trust to the restriction to put the market into better shape.

In the sheet trade notices of price advances slowly, and further concessions have been made during the past week. Prices of the principal wire products have been giving way slowly, and somewhat lower figures are now general. Until only a few weeks since were available to-but a few.

The markets for old material, which have suffered such an extraordinary decline during the past few months, have steadied, and in some instances slightly higher prices are being maintained, the demoralization being apparently over.

Very little is coming to the surface concerning export sales, whether in pig iron and steel or in finished rolling mill products.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Butter—Receipts, 5,488 packages; quiet; extra creamery, 28c; state dairy, 14@26c; held creamery, 13@26c. Cheese—Receipts, 1,000; quiet; quiet; full cream, fancy, small, colored, September, 12c; late made, 10c; large white, September, 12c; late made, 10c. Eggs—Receipts, 3,824 pkgs.; firm; state and Pennsylvania, nearby, average extras, 35c; seconds to firsts, 30@34c; western firsts, 30c; do seconds to firsts, 28@30c; refrigerated, 26@28c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Butter steady; fair demand; extra western creamery, 29½c; nearby prints, 27c. Eggs quiet and nearby is lower; fresh nearby, 35c at the mark; western, 33c, loss off; southwestern, 34@35c; southern, 30@32c. Cheese quiet but steady. New York full cream, fancy, 13½c; choice, 11½c; fair to good, 10½@11½c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Butter quiet and easy; creameries, 19@26c; dairies, 14@21c. Eggs steady to firm; fresh marks, cases included, 26@27½c. Cheese steady, 10@10½c.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The market for coffee futures opened steady at an advance of 5 points on European buying and a scattering outside demand following smaller primary receipts and higher Havre cables. After midday unloading during the remainder of the session the market was very active and generally firm on aggressive bull support and heavy European buying. The close was steady at a net gain of 10 points with sales reported of 75,000 bags, including January at 6.65@6.75c; February, 6.70c; March, 6.85@7.05c; May, 7.25@7.35c; July, 7.40@7.50c; September, 7.60@7.75c; October, 7.75@7.90c; December, 7.85c.

Sugar, raw, nominal; fair refining 3 1-16@3½c. Centrifugal, 96 test, 3 9-16c; molasses sugar, 2 15-16@3c. Refined quiet; crushed, 5.05c; powdered, 4.85c; granulated, 4.85c.

Heavy Holiday Business.

The opinion of railroad men concerning holiday travel is that there will be just as many people hauled this year as last. The decrease of one and one-third in the Central Passenger association territory, which is west of here to Chicago and St. Louis, will apply this morning. Provision has been made for the rush by ordering extra cars at terminal points. Yesterday a number of Pullman sleepers were started from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh to be used until after the closing of the rates. The reduced rates will be on sale today and tomorrow and on December 31 and January 1, with a final limit to January 4, inclusive.

The Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Values keep constantly rising, but no activity on the part of the buyers of drygoods is evident, but rather increased reaction. Where sales are consummated they are at asking prices, and often these figures are materially above what would have been considered by the buyer a few days ago.

TURKEYS WENT HIGHER; NEW CROP OF PEARS HERE

Fruits and Nuts Active—Feeling on Corn Is Not So Good.

Next to the poultry market, fruits were most active yesterday. Weather was favorable and shipments were much in excess of what was expected on account of cold weather earlier in the week. Oranges, lemons, bananas, grapes, apples and nuts are in good demand, though no change in prices are quoted. A new crop of Nelis pears arrived in the local market and is quoted at $1 50. Fresh dressed ducks sold as high as 25 cents a pound late yesterday afternoon. The supply did not keep pace with the demand. All poultry and game brought fair prices. Eggs continue firm. There is no change in the butter situation.

In the grocery market confectionaries, raisins and prunes are moving freely and business is reported a good, healthy one. Changes in quotations are noted. The provision market is holding its own, with no changes. The feeling on corn is not quite so good, but the prices keeps up. Oats are still firm, with the demand fair and a fair demand. Bran and middlings are selling quite readily, while hay and straw are steady. Prices in hay, grain and feed will continue unchanged through the holidays, as will flour. Receipts on hay and grain yesterday were 114 cars.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 42 cars hay, 20 cars corn, 23 cars oats, 4 cars straw and 5 cars feed; Baltimore & Ohio, 2 cars hay, 3 cars corn and 1 car oats; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, 5 cars corn, 3 cars hay and 1 car rye.

Hay, No. 1 tim.	Rye, No. 2
Timothy $15.50@16.00	Mich. ...68½@69½c
do No. 2 $15.00@15.50	White middlings, No. 2
No. 1 clov. $11.50@11.50	spring, ton...$23.00@23.50
do No. 2 $10.50@11.00	do brown $20.00@20.50
No. 1 mix. $11.50@12.00	Bran, ton...$18.00@18.50
Loose from car:	Wheat, No. 2
Wagon $15.00@17.00	red.....70@70c
Straw, oat...$8.50@9.00	Corn, No. 2 yellow
do wheat...$8.50@9.00	shelled.....52@53c
Corn, No. 2 $12.00@12.00	High mixed.....50@50c
Oats, No. 2	No. 2 mix.....49½@50c
white.....41½@42c	New No. 2 yellow
do No. 3.....41@41½c	shelled.....50@51c
do No. 4.....39½@40c	New No. 3 yel-
	low car.....48@49c

GROCERIES.

Flour.	do powdered....4.70c
Fancy spg. pats.	do pow'd xxxx....4.80c
ent....$4.80@4.85	do cubes....4.80c
Fancy winter	do mould A....4.80c
patent...$4.25@4.50	do cut A....4.80c
Straight win.$3.85@4.00	do No. 1 yellow....4.30c
Bakers' spg. pats.$3.90@4.00	do No. 2 yellow....4.20c
Rye.....$3.65@3.75	do No. 3 yellow....4.10c
Graham.....$4.00@4.50	Beans.
Cornmeal bbl...2.25@2.40	Navy, H. P....$2.00@2.15
do 10-lb cotton	Navy, imp....$2.10@2.15
bags.....17@18c	Navy, mdy....$2.15@2.20
Rolled oats.	Peas, dried
bbl.....$5.10	spl....$1.80@1.40
do keg.....$2.70	do split, lb.....4c
Standard Coffee.	do marrow,
Rio	bu.....$2.00@2.10
Santos	Oil, carbon, 110
Maracaibo	deg.....13½c
Mexican	do headlight.....14c
Golden Rio...15@15½c	do water
Caracas...16@16½c	white.....14½c
Standard	do Ohio W. W.
Java.....$11.05@11.55	120 deg.....11c
High cr'de$17.30@18.50	do miners'....28@45c
Molasses, fancy	do Elaine.....17c
refined.....35@37c	do Solvaid
do choice.....32@34c	do open test...28@40c
do open hot...28@40c	Rice ex-fancy
Syrup.	head, lb.....07¾@
Fancy sugar...3¾@3¾c	do fancy
Sug. and cane...2½@3c	head.....6@6¼c
Prime.....24@27c	do choice Car-
2½-lb cans, doz.....(c	olina
5-lb cans, doz.....$1.10	do choice
10-lb cans, doz.....$3.40	Salt, No. 1 bbl...$1.40
10-lb cans, doz.....$3.40	do No. 1 extra...$1.60
Maple, gal.....10c@$1.40	do gran. 100s...$1.65
Oatmeal, bbl.....$5.00	do pocket...$1.85@1.80
do keg.....$2.00	do dairy.....$1.25
Sugar, cts., gran'd	Sacks, bbls, cases, $8.75
do bags.....4.65c	do bbl.....$8.75
do 2-lb carton..4.80c	do half bbl.....$3.75
Sugar, 100-pound cot-	
ton bags.....4.50c	

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std. pie...$1.10	Plums, Garnson....$1.00
do pie, gal.2.50@3.00	do Calif...$1.60@1.70
do Crawfords	Raspberries, red
L. E.....$1.90@2.55	Cocoanberries .16c@$1.40
do Morris-	Tomatoes,
lands...$1.30@1.65	standard...85@90c
do California	do fancy...$1@$1.05
Y. E.....$1.90@2.00	do gallon....$1.60@2.35
Corn, fancy...$1.00@1.20	Succotash, 1-lb
do std.....$1.00@1.05	cans.....$1.20@1.40
Cherries, Cal.	Baked beans, cans
white...$2.50@2.75	tomato .70c@$1.40
Lima beans $1.20@1.45	Salmon, red...80c@$2.00
do soaked.....75@80c	Chipped beef $2.25@2.75

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap.,	Raisins, Muscatel,
bags.....9@10c	2 and 4 crown
do 25-lb	loose.....7@8c
boxes...8½@11c	do Ondera
Apples, bulk...6½@8c	Val.....8½@9c
do 1-lb car-	do Cal. Val.....7@7½c
tons.....7½@7¾c	Currants, cleaned.
Peaches.....7@10c	Amalias.....7@7½c
Raspberries...14@24c	Figs, Cal.....8½@10c
Raisins, seeded,	Figs, Turk.....12½@15c
1-lb pkg...9½@10c	

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1	Mackerel, No. 2
mess, bbl.....$22.00	bbls.....$20.00
do half bbl.....10.50	do half bbls.....$11.50
do quar. bbl.....$5.50	do quar. bbl.....$5.00
Mackerel, No. 1	do 25-lb pails.....$2.40
plain, bbl....$25.00	do 10-lb pails.....$1.50
do half bbls....$12.00	Lake herring, 100
do 25-lb pails..$2.75	lbs.....$3.00@3.50
do 10-lb pails...$1.40	do 50-lb cans.....$1.20
	do 10-lb pails.....480

SEEDS.

Clover, from store,	Alfalfa....$16.00@18.00
recleaned, 60-lb	Mallet.....$1.20@1.50
bu. small.$7.10@7.50	Grass, Hunga-
do mam-	rian.....90c@$1.10
moth...$7.50@7.80	do timothy...$1.80@2.00
do crim-	do blue, 14-lb
son.....$4.50@4.75	bu.....$1.80@1.75
do white	do red top,
Dutch.$14.00@15.00	14-lb bu. $1.10@2.00
Alsike.....$8.75@9.00	Timothy $1.65@1.90

PRODUCE.

Potatoes,	do Ashtabula,
Ex. fancy.....80@90c	bushel.....@90c
do track.....70@75c	do Jersey bbl $6.00@8.00
Sweets,	Garlic, lb.....7@8c
Virginia.$2.00@2.25	Carrots, bbl.$1.25@1.50
Kilo dried...$4.00@4.25	Spring beans,
do dried...$4.00@4.25	bu.....$3.50@4.00
do mediums$1.75@2.00	Cauliflower,
Turnips, bbl.$1.75@2.00	doz.....$2.00@2.50
Chilups, bbl.$2.00@2.25	Watercress, doz.2.00@3c
Onions, bbl.....$5@$7	Dandelions, doz.....40c
do new, doz.....20@30c	Lettuce, head,
do Spanish	quart.....10@15c
crate.....$1.00@1.10	6-basket car-
Cucumbers, per	riers.....$1@$1.50
hothouse,	Spinach, bu.....75@90c
doz.....$1.25@1.50	Squash,
Cabbage,	Hubbard,
Danish.$45.00@50.00	bbl.....$1.50@1.75
do lb.....2@2½c	do marrow-
Parsley, doz..90c@$1.00	fat.....80c@$1.00
Radishes, doz.....20@30c	Honey new.....15@17c
Kale, bu.....25@30c	Parsnips, bbl.$1.75@2.00
Celery,	Rutabagas....$1.00@1.25
Ohio.....25@30c	Popcorn, lb.....4@5c
Lettuce, home,	Horseradish,
doz.....10c@$1.00	bbl.....$5.00@5.50
	Egg plant,
	hamper...$4.00@4.50

PROVISIONS.

Hams.	Breakfast bacon,
16 lbs and up...10½c	back strips.....11c
Over 14 to 16 lbs..11½c	Dry salt sides, extra
Over 10 to 14 lbs...12c	short clears.....8c
10 lbs and under..12½c	Shoulders, N. Y.
Skinned.....10½c	cut.....8½c
Boneless boiled.....11c	do extra.....8½c
California.....8½c	Breakfast bacon, rolls
Shoulders, N. Y.	8 to 10 lbs.....12½c
cut.....8½c	do 10 to 12 lbs.....12c
do extra.....8½c	do 12 to 16 lbs.....11½c
Breakfast bacon, rolls	do under 16 lbs.....10c
8 to 10 lbs.....12½c	Lard, pure,
do 10 to 12 lbs.....12c	tierces.....7½c
do 12 to 16 lbs.....11½c	
do under 16 lbs.....10c	
Lard, pure,	
tierces.....7½c	

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter.	do Wis. Swiss,
Prints.....27@27½c	tubs.....14½@15c
Tubs.....26@27c	do 20-lb block Swiss
Ohio cream...24@25c	do 10-lb block Swiss
Dairy.....16@17c	Limburger,
Country roll...14@15c	gar.....13@13½c
Cheese, N. Y. full	do brickcheese.13½@14c
cream.....12@13c	Eggs,
do Ohio.....12@12½c	candled.....24@25c
do ¾ cream.11½@11½c	do selects.....25@26c
Cheese, Ohio Swiss	do storage.....20@21c
.....15@16c	

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, fancy	Cranberries,
bbl.....$3.50@4.00	box.....$2.25@2.50
do choice..$2.00@2.25	do bbl.bbl.$8.00@9.00
Grapes,	
Catawba.....20c	

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live chickens...11@12c	Dept. ptarmigan,
Roosters.....7@8c	pair.....$2.50
Turkeys.....17@18c	do grouse.....$2.00
Live ducks, lb...10@12c	do cottontails.....$2.25
Geese.....10@12c	do black ducks...$2.50
Dressed hens.....14@15c	do plover, gra...$4.00
Dressed spring..14@15c	do plover, blk...$2.50
Roasters.....10@12c	Mallard ducks,
Roosters.....9@10c	pair.....$1.75@2.00
Turkeys, fresh,	Squab, doz.....$4.00
young.....20@22c	do small.....$1.00
Ducks.....17@18c	do blue bill.....$1.00
Rabbits, pair...25@30c	do ruff.....$1.50
Capon, lb.....25c	do red head$1.75@2.00
Spring fowl feather-	do canvas back..$2.00
do ed, lbs.....16c	

TROPICAL FRUITS.

Lemons, Mes-	Bananas, bch..$1.75@2.25
sina.....$3.75@4.00	do 2d.....$1.25@1.50
do Verdelli$4.00@4.25	Pineapples,
do Caltroy,	crate.....$2.50@3.00
fancy.....$3.00@3.50	Pears, California,
Limes, per 100...$1.00	box.....$1.50
Oranges, California,	do Clairgeau....$2.75
navel.....$3.00@3.50	Grapes,
do Florida$3.00@3.50	Almeria....$3.50@4.00
do Jamaica,	Grape fruit...$3.00@3.50
per box.....$2.75@3.00	Tangerines, $3 box$2.50
do box.....$3.00@3.50	Figs, Cal., 10-lb
Cocoanuts, bags...$2.50	cartons.....$1.00@1.50

HOLIDAY OFFERINGS.

Christmas trees,	Floss, per
per 100 $25.00@40.00	yard.....5½@6c
Holly, per doz..$1.00@2.00	Tinsel, per yard
Laurel, yard.....2½@3c	Mixed nuts.....12c
Evergreen, yd...$2.40@c	Mistletoe,
Holly wreaths,	per doz...$1.00@1.25

NUTS.

Chestnuts, lb.....10@11c	Italian chestnuts...09@c
Filberts.....11c	Pecans.....12c
Soft shell almonds...16c	Shellbarks,
Ring walnuts...11@12c	bu.....$1.75@2.00
Tarr. almonds.....12c	Walnuts.....$1.00@1.25
Mixed.....12c	Butternuts.....$1.00
Brazil.....11c	

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Cotton futures closed easy: December, 10.30; January, 10.25@10.26; February, 10.37@; March, 10.42@; April, 10.50@; May, 10.58@; June, 10.67@; July, 10.76@; August, 10.82@; spot closed quiet and 30 points advance; middling uplands, 12.60c; middling gulf, 12.85c; sales, 315 bales.

Gas Strike Near Columbiana.

COLUMBIANA, O., Dec. 23.—The Ohio Knob Oil Company struck a heavy pressure of gas yesterday on the Keeper farm, southeast of town, while drilling for oil. The oil and gas field here is being rapidly developed.

FREIGHT CLASSIFICATION CHANGED ON CARLOAD RATES

Several changes to the official classification of freight, which applies to all railroads in this territory, are to be made. They are of importance to many smaller shippers, who, at times, combine with other shippers to secure carload rates when their shipments are really less than carloads. The railroads are not directly at this class of business. The new rule relating to the obtaining of carload rates is as follows:

"This rule will not apply on consignments from two or more shippers contained in one car loads by forwarding agents claiming to act as shippers, meaning agents of actual consignors of property or any party interested in the combination of less than carload shipments of articles from several consignors into carloads at point of origin. Railroad agents are prohibited from receiving property in carload lots and making distribution of the same to two or more parties at destination, unless the agent is representative of a consignor or consignee for such distribution."

The latter part of the new ruling is perfectly severe. There may stay, however, due to the rule where carload consignments are sent to two or more consignees and carload rates are granted.

Continuing, the rule says: "Unless otherwise specified rates are to be loaded in box cars shall be charged for at the actual weight and class rate for each article, the charge in case to be less for each article than 4,000 pounds in a double-deck car."

Other changes are: "That carriers reserve the right to decline shipments in inadequate packages. Bills of lading must show minimum weights required for the application of the carload rates. Carriers to load and unload carload freight, carriers reserving the right, however, to do their work at their convenience."

Rate Sheet Issued.

An agreement has recently been reached between representatives of the Pennsylvania lines west and the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie passenger departments where the former road has withdrawn its "thirsty" that it will not be a member of the Pittsburgh rate office. The quarters will, it is said, be called such, is understood to be only temporary. This statement was made yesterday by an official who is "next" to Mr. Loomis.

Several weeks ago a meeting of the passenger men of the Pittsburgh lines was held at the Lincoln hotel. The lines were objected to the establishment of a Pittsburgh office by the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie from Pittsburgh to St. Louis via Marion, O., and the Erie railroad. The lines were said that if the Lake Erie rate was published to Pittsburgh via Carey, O., it would involve trouble from the start. This threat was not carried out, however. It is said that a representative of each of the interested companies "reorganized," to speaking of the matter a railroad official said yesterday:

"The Lake Erie war to Akron from the start. It recently had trouble with the Wabash and its differential rate from Pittsburgh to St. Louis via Bucyrus, Ind., and the Wabash and Erie was withdrawn. This differential was a reduction of the Lake Erie by the Central Passenger association committee. Before the meeting of the Lincoln the Lake Erie was quoting rates of $14 25, $14 25 and $12 40 one way, and it is doing the same today. It is believed that if the committees does not legalize the rate the Pennsylvania will again object. The Cleveland rate, which is the same as Pittsburgh, is $15 10, and the second rate, which is via the Baltimore & Ohio, is $14 75 and $13 60.

Railroad Notes.

W. T. Lechliter is appointed here today. He will remain in Pittsburgh until after Christmas.

The regular monthly meeting of the Railway club will be held at the Hotel Henry Monday night at 8 o'clock.

R. U. Baker has been appointed secretary to Vice President Cramblett of the Union Steamboat line at New York.

C. A. Carachalla has resigned as traveling passenger agent of the Michigan Central, to go with the Pittsburg Valley Line Company.

The Erie is going to run a car of "Uncle Hubbard" or "Cannibals" sufferers on January 1. It is now borrowing equipment of the Boerner.

The pass agreement has received a hard blow by the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie road. It will issue exchange passes good over its entire system.

It is said that the roads west of Chicago will not honour the Clover Leaf on account of the long distance ticket war on. They will, however, demand restitution to the amount of $200,000.

A. Robertson, general manager of the Western Maryland and West Virginia Central & Pittsburgh, with headquarters at Elkins, W. Va., Ramsay's "finds," has been appointed general manager of the St. Louis terminals. He began railroad work as a brakeman on the Pittsburg line in 1886. In 1897 he came to Elkins, W. Va., as a yardmaster on the mining division, and subsequently was made trainmaster at Dexter. His next promotion was as superintendent of the Elkins division, in which he held until last August, when Frazier Ramsay made him general manager of the Western Maryland and the West Virginia Central & Pittsburgh.

GRAINS ALL CLOSED AT A HIGHER FIGURE

Big Bull Interest Dominated the Chicago Pit at Its Session Yesterday.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—The wheat market was more or less of a "one-man" affair today, being to a large extent dependent upon the action of the big bull interest. The leading bull was credited with having bought 2,000,000 bushels again on all breaks. Knowing prices were steady on small receipts, May being unchanged to a shade higher at 82½ to 82¾@82¾c. The big bull bought openly at the start, but became timid of these investment propositions when there were free sellers at the same time the impression was created that he was selling more than he bought. This pulled up a small decline. May going down to 82c, despite the corner existing however at the figure and the price called. During the latter part of the session the market developed considerable strength on reports of heavy rains in Texas, which is drying all over Texas in spoutions of drought. Better inquiry from Europe was reported at New York, and this tended to encourage holders here to withdraw freely. Clearances were large, amount 958,300 bushels a week ago, compared with a holiday last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 907 cars, against 508 cars last week.

Corn showed more independent strength in wheat, but outside of that there was little in the way of news to affect prices. Commission houses were the principal buyers and the offerings came largely from shorts. Receipts were still small and the weather favorable for the movement, although predictions were for rain or snow in the west and southwest. Local receipts were 181 cars, with 109 of contract grade.

Path leaving of oats for cash and consignment houses, together with the strength in wheat, caused a firm market. Business was small, however, there the visible stood. Local receipts were 289 cars.

Provisions ruled strong on a good demand from commission houses and local shorts. Packers were very moderate buyers of lard. Smaller receipts of hogs than expected, with lighter packing of the year, were instrumental in the prices being appreciably firmer early in the day, and the advance was well maintained. May pork closed 5@10c higher at $13 16, May lard 2½@2¾c higher at $7 42½@7 45, and May ribs 2½@2¾c higher at $6 92½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 50 cars; corn, 450 cars; oats, 350 cars; hogs, 28,000 head.

The leading futures, reported by John D. Armstrong & Co., members of the Chicago Board of trade, Farmers Bank Building, are as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yester'y Close.
WHEAT					
No. 2					
Dec. b.	80½	82	80	81½	80¾
May	81½	83½	81½	82¾	81¾
July	77¾	79¾	77¾	79¾	77¾
CORN					
No. 2					
Dec.	41½	41¾	41½	41½	41¼
May	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¾	44¼
July	44¾	45	44¾	44¾	44¼
OATS					
No. 2					
Dec.	34½	35	34½	35	34½
May	37½	38	37½	38	37½
July	34	34¼	34	34¼	34
MESS PORK.					
Jan.	13 85	13 90	13 85	13 87½	13 80
May	13 10	13 22½	13 10	13 16	13 03
LARD					
Jan.	6 35	6 42½	6 35	6 40	6 37½
May	6 37½	6 52½	6 37½	6 47½	6 37½
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan.	6 15	6 27½	6 15	6 25	6 17½
May	6 45	6 57½	6 45	6 52½	6 45

Cash quotations were as follows: No. 2 spring wheat, 79@81c; No. 3 spring wheat, 78@80c; No. 2 red, 80@81c; No. 2 corn, 41½c; No. 3 corn, 41½c; No. 2 yellow, 44½c; No. 3 yellow, 44½c; No. 2 oats, 34½c; No. 3 white, 36@36½c; No. 4 white, 34½@35½c; No. 3 rye, 68c; No. 2 barley, 57@58c; No. 3 barley, 54@56c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 01; No. 2 flaxseed, 99c; prime timothy seed, $3 40; mess pork, per barrel, $13 85@13 90; lard, per 100 pounds, $6 37½@6 40; short ribs sides (loose), $6 12½@6 25; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 6@6¼c; short clear sides (boxed), $6 37½@6 50; whisky, basis of high wines, $1 26.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	23,000	19,000
Wheat, bushels	218,000	25,000
Corn, bushels	254,000	31,000
Oats, bushels	289,000	109,000
Rye, bushels	2,000	1,000
Barley, bushels	302,000	22,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Flour—Receipts, 24,000 bbls; exports, 6,314 bbls; sales, 12,100 sacks; market was moderately active and firm. Rye flour steady; sales, 400 bbls; fair to good, $3 40@3 75; fine, $3 25@3 35. Cornmeal steady; Graham, $3 20@3 25. Rye steady; No. 2 Western, 67½c f. o. b. afloat. Barley nominal. Wheat—Spot, steady; No. 2 red, 82½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 87½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 81½c f. o. b. afloat. Options were moderately active and firm, but closed weak at ½@¾c net decline, with May 82¾@82¾c, closing at 82¾c; July, 79¾@79¾c, closing at 79¾c; September, 79¾@79¾c, closing at 79¾c. Corn—Spot, steady; No. 2, 47½c elevator and 48½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 48½c; No. 2 white, 48½c. Options were dull and easy, closing ½c net lower; May, 45¾@45¾c, closing at 45¾c; July, 46¾@46¾c, closing at 46¾c; September, 47¾@47¾c, closing at 47¾c. Oats—Spot, steady; No. 2, 36½c; No. 2 white, 37½c; No. 3 white, 36½c; track mixed Western, 35@36½c; track white Western, 36@37½c. Options were dull and steady, closing ½c net higher; May, 36½c;

REAR ADMIRAL WHITE IS DEAD

Taken by Heart Disease While Visiting Friends at Navy Yard.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICES

[BY PRIVATE WIRE TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Rear Admiral Edwin White, retired, whose home was in Princeton, fell dead today in the Brooklyn navy yard. He had gone to the yard to visit old-time friends. Death was the result of heart disease. Admiral White, who leaves a widow, was graduated from Annapolis in 1861. He was on the New York in the civil war and was steadily promoted. He was fiftieth on the list of captains when retired, but, having heart disease, was retired in 1899 as a rear admiral because of his splendid record.

Admiral White was born in Ohio in 1843, and was appointed to the Naval academy from that state in 1861. After his graduation, in 1865, he was ordered to the New York navy yard and attached to the receiving ship Vermont. He was later ordered to the frigate Colorado, the flagship of the European station. He was successively promoted to ensign, master and lieutenant, and in 1869 he was made lieutenant commander.

While holding this rank he was sent to Havana on the Kansas to protect American interests during a reported massacre of students in 1871, and in the next year, at Aspinwall, he protected the American blockade runner Virginius against the Spanish man-of-war Vizcaro, for which he was commended by the department. Later he was stationed off the Peruvian coast, was with the Asiatic squadron and on the Pacific station. He did shore duty at Newport and Annapolis. In 1882 he was put in command of the Concord and sent up the Mississippi river to Memphis, and afterward to Cairo, Ill., a trip that attracted much attention at the time.

Later he was in Venezuela and at Colon. He was made captain in 1886. His last command was the Philadelphia. Admiral White married, in 1870, Antonia, daughter of Admiral George F. Emmons.

Rear Admiral White was a first cousin of William Allen White, author, and editor of the Emporia (Kan.) Gazette.

DON CARLOS' DAUGHTER DIVORCED FROM PRINCE

Couple Made Charges of Infidelity Against Each Other, Married by Present Pope.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

DRESDEN, Dec. 23.—The court has dissolved the marriage of Prince Frederick and Princess Alice of Schoenburg-Waldenburg, announcing the decision without explanation of the reason. The proceedings were in private, though no concealment was made of the fact that each side accused the other of infidelity.

The princess, who is a daughter of Don Carlos, the Spanish pretender, was reported some time ago to have eloped with her coachman, an Italian named Emelio Masarni, but this was denied from several sources and the legal divorce proceedings against Prince Frederick on the ground of bodily injury and forcible deprivation of her liberty. The prince and princess were married by the present pope while he was patriarch of Venice, and the latter's friends expect that the pontiff will agree to the dissolution of the marriage.

THE THEATERS.

The New Year Will See Quite a Pleasing Variety of Entertainment in the Local Theaters.

If the current season's new plays, none, we are told, have scored so successfully as the all-over farcical comedy, "My Wife's Husbands," which Mr. N. C. Goodwin will bring to the new Nixon as its offering for the first week of the year beginning next Monday night.

John C. Fisher's stupendous production of this musical play, "The Silver Slipper," by the authors of "The Belle of Bohemia," which comes to the Alvin theater Monday next for a week's engagement with matinees Wednesday, New Year's day, and Saturday, has an extraordinarily strong cast, and is replete with beauty. The sensational "Champagne Dance" is one of the many great features of the performance.

"A dream rest is almost Theocritean" in its scholarly treatment of a psychological subject, is "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," which is to be seen the Duquesne theater next week, offering commencing next Monday. Miss Rebecca Warren, who is to be seen in the role of Tess will be remembered as leading lady for Mr. Sothern for several seasons.

Miss Isabel Irving, who will be seen in "The Crisis" at the Duquesne theater next week, is the only actress before the public today who has ever played Portia. Her Portia is not a good one, who made it about all the critics did to attend strictly to business and please her public.

The bill for the New Year's week of the Keith & Proctor's will open at the box office of the Grand this morning at 9 o'clock. The big spectacle of "Babes in the Woods," with its 300 or more people on the stage, and the 20 different massive sets of scenery, is now coming on a remarkably smooth groove, and the final curtain falls at a reasonable hour.

The great new musical comedy, "Girls Will Be Girls," produced and managed by W. A. Brady, will be the attraction at the Bijou next week, beginning with Monday's matinee.

Will A. Burn & Bevy of sprightly Minstrel Misses, 17 in number, who have secured a big hit in vaudeville, will head the bill of 15 acts at the Avenue family theater next week. There will be 60 people on the stage, each noted for his or her ability to furnish high-class entertainment.

The famous Rice & Barton's Big Gaiety Company, which has for years enjoyed a reputation par excellence, will be next week's attraction at the Academy.

ENGLAND MAY ACT.

Threatened Anti-Jewish Riots at Kishineff Considered by Foreign Office.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Jewish Chronicle announces that a joint meeting of the foreign committee and the board of deputies of the Anglo-Jewish association will be held December 25 to consider the question of making representations to the Russian government, through the foreign office, relative to the report that fresh anti-Jewish excesses are threatened at Kishineff on the Russian Christmas day.

The Jewish Chronicle adds that it understands the matter is already engaging the attention of Foreign Secretary Lansdowne.

SNATCHED WOMAN'S PURSE.

Crooks Unusually Active in Homestead and Vicinity.

While walking in Eighth avenue, Homestead, yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Mary Elsasl of Seventh avenue, that borough, had her purse snatched from her hand by an unknown man, who escaped. The purse contained $60 and some valuable papers.

John Zoller, a coal miner of Hays borough, was held up and robbed of $7 and a watch by two negroes while on his way to work early yesterday morning. The negroes also threatened to kill Zoller if he made an outcry.

John Sloan, a North Braddock butcher, was swindled out of $20 by two strangers at his shop Tuesday night. They left a watch as security, and it was afterward declared to be worth about 30 cents.

NEWSIES GET FREE HOT DOGS AND COFFEE

Coller & Cutler, proprietors of the newsboys' restaurant in Virgin alley, back of city hall, will give their patrons a treat this afternoon which will be as welcome to the urchins as their famous New Year dinner. At the eating place in the alley the boys will be treated to hot dogs (Cutler's sandwiches) and coffee, free of charge and in unlimited portions.

$25.10 for $10—Big Chance.

Sparkling Wines—Special Holiday Case, 25 Bottles Select Private Stock Champagne Wines, worth $35.10, given away until New Year for $10.00. We also have $5.00 Case Wine for Invalid Use. Select Wine Co., Irvington, N. J. This is the wine that prolongs life.

TO ISSUE BONDS FOR PHILIPPINES

Government Decides to Raise Money to Pay for Friar Lands.

TO BE SOLD IN JANUARY

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—President Roosevelt and Secretaries Root and Shaw had an extended conference today regarding the issue of bonds for the raising of money with which to pay for the friar lands in the Philippines.

Secretary Root is in receipt of a cablegram from Gov. Taft announcing that the contracts for the purchase of the lands were signed yesterday. The provision for payment, Gov. Taft indicates, is that the government shall use due diligence in the necessary surveys, examination of title and sale of bonds, and shall consummate the purchase within a period not exceeding six months from the date of contract. Unless new surveys shall differ materially from the Villegas survey, the exact amount of the purchase price of the lands is $7,239,784. The lands to be purchased aggregate 291,000 acres. Gov. Taft's cablegram concludes as follows:

"As soon as your recommendation is received, will pass act reciting making of contract and authorize you to issue bonds much the same form as laws authorizing issue of certificates of indebtedness."

At the conference today it was determined to authorize the issue of $7,000,000 of 4 per cent redeemable after 10 and within 30 years, Philippine bonds. They will be offered for sale early in January. An act of the last congress provided for the issue of such bonds. They will be accepted by the government as security for the deposit of public funds.

Some details concerning the issue of the bonds yet have to be worked out, but no doubt is expressed that a ready market for them will be found in this country. During the past seven months an aggregate of $6,000,000 of 4 per cent Philippine bonds have been issued and floated in the United States in batches of $2,000,000 each. More than half of these bonds are now on deposit with the government as security for public money. The bonds previously issued were sold on terms regarded as favorable to the government, each lot of $2,000,000 commanding a figure above par. It is believed that the forthcoming issue also will bring a good price.

Bonds to the amount named as the purchase price will be issued and will be sold in the open market, probably within 30 days. The bonds will bear 4½ per cent interest and will be redeemable after 5 and within 30 years. The lands involved aggregate 391,000 acres.

CHAMBERLAIN MAN ELECTED TO COMMONS

Leader's Tariff Policy Indorsed Again, Fight Having Been Made on Issue.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Rowland Hunt, Liberal Unionist, and a supporter of Joseph Chamberlain's fiscal policy, has been elected to the Ludlow division of Shropshire in the house of commons to succeed Robert J. Moore, Liberal Unionist, deceased, by a majority of 979 votes.

The issue was clear cut. The campaign was fought exclusively on the fiscal question. The constituency was deluged with organizers and speakers from Birmingham and representatives of the Free Food league.

LIKELY TO DROP CASE.

Bethesda Home Entertainment Called Off—Statement by Dr. Prugh.

After being arrested for collecting money for charitable purposes by the aid of alleged forged letters, Evaline Tournour Grace Miller and Elizabeth Ash will likely be discharged without a hearing. The case was to have been heard yesterday before Magistrate Strevari, but it was postponed for two weeks. The Rev. John H. Prugh, D. D., who made the information, stated that, in his opinion, the case would probably be settled before that date. The money was collected for the sale of tickets for an entertainment to be given at Carnegie Music hall, Allegheny, for the benefit of the Bethesda Home, and a letter purporting to have been written by Rev. Dr. Prugh, the head of the institution, was said to have been used in this connection.

About $500 worth of tickets are said to have been sold, but Attorney Christy Ash said Miss Tournour to give up the idea of an entertainment and return the money collected.

GOVERNOR TO PLAY SANTA TO POOR OF HARRISBURG

HARRISBURG, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Gov. Pennypacker, on his return from Washington this evening, declined to disclose the purpose of his conference with Senator Quay, save that he had a very pleasant time with President Roosevelt. The governor and family will spend Christmas at the executive mansion. On Christmas morning the governor will play Santa Claus to the poor children of Harrisburg who visit the executive mansion by distributing candies and nuts among them. This custom was established by Gov. Curtin and has been followed by every succeeding governor.

GLASS BLOWERS ORDERED DEPORTED TO ENGLAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Secretary Cortelyou has ordered the deportation of the skilled glass blowers from Stourbridge, England, who were detained at Ellis Island under the alien contract labor law. They landed at Montreal and were bound for Corning, N. Y. They appealed to Secretary Cortelyou from the action of the immigrant authorities, and their cases practically were assumed by a glass manufacturing company of Corning, which, according to a board of special inquiry, had contracted expressly or impliedly for their services or had induced their immigration to the United States.

Joke May Have Fatal Ending.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Joseph Pepusia, an Italian laborer, employed at the Valley plant, Republic Iron & Steel Company, is dying as the result of a joke. While in bed sat down by his uncle one of the workers thought to surprise him with a snowball. The snowball went into the rolls, causing an explosion which burned the man frightfully.

Train Robber Free Again.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Ellsworth P. De France was released from the penitentiary today, after having served 15 years for the theft of one postage stamp. However, to get into the hands of officials and locate a mail car, which yielded but the 2-cent stamp, for which he was convicted of stealing.

Love Caused Shocking Tragedy.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Samuel Lee, aged 35, shot and killed his sister-in-law, Miss Ida Neel, aged 22 years, today because she would not marry him. He then shot himself. When neighbors broke into the house Lee, who was still alive, picked up a razor and cut his throat. He will die.

Powder Company Is Exonerated.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The coroner's jury today exonerated the Connaugh Powder Company from blame in the explosion wherein two men were recently killed. The jury found that automatic feeders be installed and that no employes except those at the rolls be permitted in the corning department.

CHRISTMAS EXCURSION RATES.

Via

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad.

On December 24, 25 and 31 and January 1, P. & L. E. agents will sell tickets to all points at one fare and one-third for the round trip. Rate from Pittsburgh to Cleveland $3.75, Toledo $5.50, Detroit $11.10, Chicago, $14.00. Ashtabula, $5.10, Erie, $5.90, Buffalo, $9.20. Sharon, $2.95, Meadville, $4.00. Cambridge Springs, $5.20. Jamestown, $7.40.

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$1.00 Punch and Judy Sets, 50c
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1.00 Stone Building Blocks, 50c
75c Dolls for 38c
$1.50 Dolls for 75c
1.00 Albums for 50c
1.00 Collar and Cuff Boxes, 50c
1.39 Comb, Brush and Mirror Sets, 69c
50c Books for 25c
$1.25 Books for 63c
1.00 Calendars for 50c

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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

IN the court of common pleas, No. 8, No. 47, February term, 1901.

In the matter of the petition of the city of Allegheny for the appointment of viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits for grading and paving Simpson street, from West Magnolia street to the Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad, ——ward.

Notice is hereby given to all parties in interest that the undersigned viewers, duly appointed by the court in the foregoing matter, have prepared a schedule, showing the damages, costs and expenses ascertained and allowed, and the benefits assessed for the foregoing improvement, and that said viewers will meet and exhibit the same at their office, Municipal hall, Allegheny, on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m. and will then and thereupon hear the exceptions thereto and evidence thereon.

GEO. F. LARIMER,
E. L. PHILLIPS,
ROBT. SPROUL,
Viewers.

(147.)

AN ORDINANCE Amending an ordinance entitled "An ordinance relating to making openings in street pavements," approved March 20, 1893, and the amendments thereto, by including in the provisions thereof corporations supplying natural or artificial gas to the public.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance relating to making openings in street pavements," approved March 20, 1893, and the amendments thereto, which is recited as follows:

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons (other than those acting by direct authority from some of the departments of the city), to open, dig, or in any manner disturb any street, avenue, lane or alley, within this city, for any purpose, or open or dig any sidewalk of any paved highway of the city for the purpose of making connection at the curbstone with a sewer, connection or with any water pipe, without first making application to the superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers. On receipt of such application it shall be the duty of such superintendent to issue such permit, subject to the stipulations, conditions and restrictions hereinafter provided, and the time for which permit shall be granted shall not exceed ten (10) days.

Sec. 2. When the pavement of a street, lane or avenue is of asphaltum, block or fire brick it is to be opened or dug up for the purpose of making connection with a sewer or water pipe, only upon the permit granting the right to open said pavement, providing the person or persons or corporation making such opening agree and bind himself, herself or themselves or their assigns to restore said pavement at their own expense to the condition in which they found it, within fifteen (15) days from the time the opening is made, and such repairs are to be made to the satisfaction of the superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers.

Sec. 3. Any person or persons or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon summary conviction before any police magistrate, forfeit and pay for the use of the city, and it is hereby made a part of the duty of the superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and prosecute any person or persons violating the provisions thereof.

Sec. 4. That the provisions of this ordinance are to take effect on the first day of April, 1904.

Sec. 5. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 11th day of December, A. D. 1903.

JOHN C. OLIVER,
President Pro Tem. of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(147.)

AN ORDINANCE Amending an ordinance entitled "An ordinance relating to making openings in street pavements," approved March 20, 1893, and the amendments thereto, by including in the provisions thereof corporations supplying natural or artificial gas to the public.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance relating to making openings in street pavements," approved March 20, 1893, and the amendments thereto, which is recited as follows:

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons (other than those acting by direct authority from some of the departments of the city), to open, dig, or in any manner disturb any street, avenue, lane or alley, within this city, for any purpose, or open or dig any sidewalk of any paved highway of the city for the purpose of making connection at the curbstone with a sewer, connection or with any water pipe, without first making application to the superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers. On receipt of such application it shall be the duty of such superintendent to issue such permit, subject to the stipulations, conditions and restrictions hereinafter provided, and the time for which permit shall be granted shall not exceed ten (10) days.

Sec. 2. When the pavement of a street, lane or avenue is of asphaltum, block or fire brick is to be opened or dug up for the purpose of making connection with a sewer or to lay or connect a water, gas or gas pipe with the same, or to make repairs to a sewer, water or gas pipe, the fee for a permit for such and every opening shall be three ($3.00) dollars, provided the opening does not exceed 20 feet in length; this fee shall be paid to the city treasurer after application has been approved by said superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers, by the person or persons, or corporation making such opening agree and bind himself, herself or themselves or their assigns to restore said pavement at their own expense to the condition in which they found it, within fifteen (15) days from the time the opening is made, and such repairs are to be made to the satisfaction of the superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers.

Sec. 3. Any person or persons or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon summary conviction before any police magistrate, forfeit and pay for each offense a sum not exceeding twenty-five ($25.00) dollars, for the use of the city, and it is hereby made a part of the duty of the superintendent of the bureau of highways and sewers to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and prosecute any person or persons or corporation violating the provisions thereof.

Sec. 4. That the provisions of this ordinance are to take effect on the first day of April, 1904.

Sec. 5. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 11th day of December, A. D. 1903.

JOHN C. OLIVER,
President Pro Tem. of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.
Mayor's Office, City of Allegheny, Pa., December 18, A. D. 1903. The above ordinance examined and approved.
JAMES G. WYMAN,
Mayor.

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(No. 145.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing and directing the mayor and the director of the department of public works to make a contract with the lowest responsible company for the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, and authorizing and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the mayor and the director of the department of public works be and they are hereby authorized and directed to make a contract with the lowest responsible company for the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, and as more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point sixteen hundred and seventy-seven (1,677.00) dollars in excess of the estimated cost of the same, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

Whereas, By an ordinance of the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny entitled, "An ordinance authorizing and ordering the construction and erection of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the department of public works, instructing the mayor and the director of the department of public works to advertise for proposals for the construction and contract therefor, and providing for the payment of the cost thereof," passed finally in councils the 15th day of October, 1900, and approved the 17th day of October, 1900, and being ordinance and number of a pump station building in the Fifteenth ward, city of Allegheny, was authorized and ordered, and the mayor and the director of the department of public works were instructed to advertise for proposals and award the contract for the same.

Whereas, Pursuant to said ordinance the mayor and director of the department of public works duly advertised for proposals, and

Whereas, The lowest bid received for the construction and erection of said building amounted to twelve thousand one hundred seventy-seven ($12,177.00) dollars, and was made by the firm of Thomas Long & Co., which is in excess of the estimate furnished by councils of ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars, and

Whereas, It was then found that the estimate furnished by councils was insufficient to complete the building in accordance with said plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works, and

Whereas, It was then found that the lowest bid received for the construction of said building, by accepting with plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works, and

Whereas, I. A. Thompson & Company have prepared plans and specifications and pump station building in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works in a total cost of twelve thousand ($12,000.00) dollars, which plans and specifications are intended to be a fair, reasonable and exact representation of the work to be done, and

Whereas, I. A. Thompson & Company have prepared plans and specifications and pump station building in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by and on file in the office of the director of the department of public works in a total cost of twelve thousand ($12,000.00) dollars, which plans and specifications are intended to be a fair, reasonable and exact representation of the work to be done, and that no bid for work or labor in excess of the price fixed by said estimate can be obtained